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Lighting It Up Blue for Autism

By Jean Perry

April 2 is the beginning of World Autism Awareness Month all across the globe. On every continent and in most major cities worldwide, recognizable monuments, public buildings, businesses, and households will be lit up with blue lights to recognize those who have been touched by autism, and to honor those living with autism.

Many will change their Facebook profile pictures to blue and wear blue on this day as other ways of showing support for this special cause.

This year marks the sixth annual Light It Up Blue for Autism Day, which was created by Autism Speaks, a nonprofit organization dedicated to autism research, support, and awareness.

Autism is a spectrum disorder that affects development, a person's ability to engage socially, speech abilities, sensory integration functions, cognitive abilities, and is often accompanied by other health concerns such as epilepsy, gastrointestinal problems, and issues with the immune system. Autism is most often diagnosed in childhood, and studies show that the earlier a child is diagnosed, the better the prognosis long term.

Although there are some medications that have shown to help improve some of the symptoms of autism, and some treatments are available that some have tried and have found success, there is no cure for autism.

The autism adage is, "If you've met one person with autism, you've met one person with autism," because, although often there are similarities and a range of common conditions amongst the autism population, no autistic person is the same. Each autistic child and adult is unique, individual, and special with his or her own unique gifts and personal challenges.

The characteristics of autism vary, depending on which end of the "spectrum" the person stands. Some are abundantly verbal, learn to speak younger than other children, precocious, but lack social skills and are unable to regulate their emotions. Others are delayed with their speech, or do not speak at all without the aid of technology in which many have found their voice. Some engage in repetitive behaviors, prefer to be alone, and have intense interests that keep them engaged for hours. Some love music, math, and like someone I know and love, adore trains, bridges, and classical music. Basically, like any other person, they are individuals and have something to delight in and contribute to this world.

Chances are, if your family has not yet been touched by autism, it one day will be, as autism rates continue to rise. Today, one in every 68 children is now diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Mine is one of them.

My 11-year-old son was diagnosed with autism at 18 months of age. Just before Christmas of 2004, when he was 15 months old, I started to wonder if something was wrong with his development, something more than perhaps "Diego just being Diego."

For us, now, years later, autism is less like a diagnosis and more like a journey. An odyssey would be more like it. Complete with tragedy and triumph, struggle and success, trial and error, joy and sorrow, twists and turns, hardship and happiness, certainty and uncertainty – personal doubt and personal growth.

Throughout the month I hope to share with you our journey, and the journeys of other families in the Tri-Town community who have gone through and are on the same path in life.

On April 2 and throughout the month of April, you may notice some of your neighbors' front porch lights lit with blue light bulbs as a symbol of autism awareness. The Rochester and Mattapoisett Town Halls

On the Cover: *Kelly Greenberg poses with the Easter Bunny after he hopped over to the Rochester Senior Center on Sunday, March 29 for breakfast with the kids, sponsored by the Rochester Lions Club. Photo by Colin Veitch. As April is Autism Awareness Month,* The Wanderer *logo is blue this week for Autism Awareness Day, April 2.*

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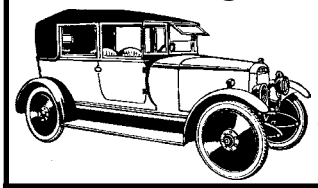
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As a mother of an autistic child, I can hardly describe for you the feeling I get when I pass a house or a building lit up blue on this night while driving home from some town board or committee meeting. I feel an overwhelming sense of gratitude for the acknowledgment of the unique challenges my family experiences on a daily basis. I also get a pang of sorrow, wondering if that particular family has also known the struggle of autism and are honoring their special loved one. I feel supported because someone might be participating just to show their encouragement and their willingness to raise awareness of autism, and I feel hopeful for the future of a world that accepts my child as the wonderful, delightful person that he is.

So when I light my front porch in blue over this month, I celebrate the gift that is autism, while acknowledging the struggle over the years that has brought me to this place of acceptance and joy. I hope that others will join me on April 2 and throughout the month of April by lighting up their own front porches as a sign of solidarity and the hope for a better world for all of us, and especially those who are autistic living in a non-autistic world.



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Dear Punxsatawney Phil…

...I feel I owe you a great deal of apology. Approximately eight weeks ago, I fear I was quite severe with my words toward you, and I do believe that I was wrong for having accused you of deceiving us with what can only be declared now as your rightful prediction of the subsequent weeks of winter that have grieved us all most ardently.

You see, my dear sir, that I had perceived your calculation to be of the most devious and vexing of forecasts, and I pray you will be kind enough to grant me the opportunity to explain in the most sincerest of hopes

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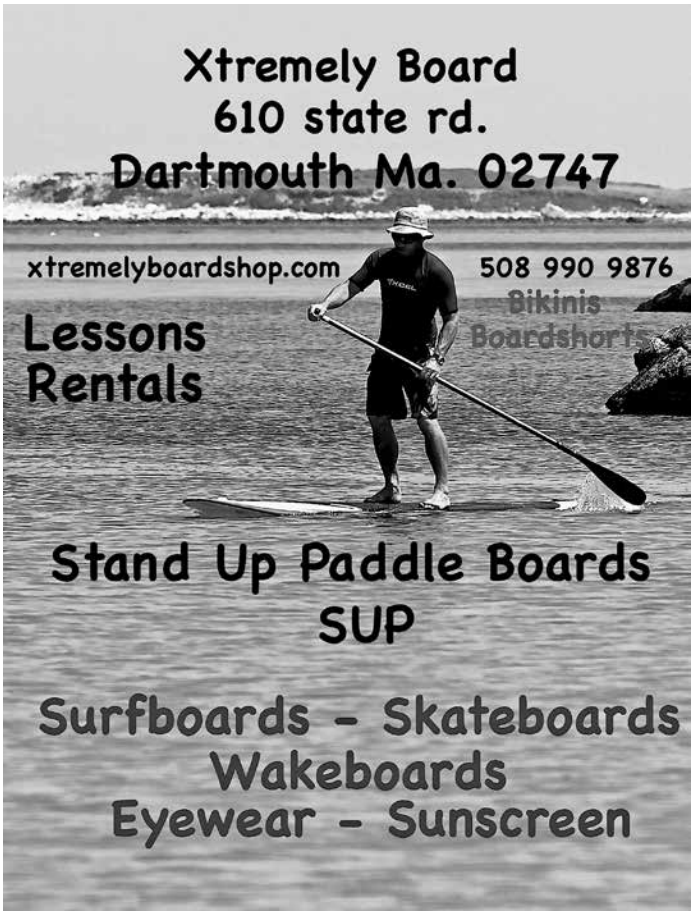
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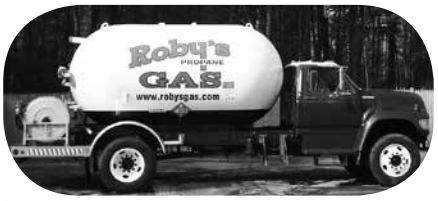
As you most certainly remember, Mr. Phil, that on Monday, February 2 – a day observed annually when you are most celebrated – as on most Mondays during this unforgiving winter, there was indeed a snowstorm that stretched across half of the country. We, your faithful followers, were confident that, given the weather, the overcast, and the inches of snow gathering around us, you would naturally predict the early arrival of spring in the absence of your shadow that, according to lore, would have sent you hurrying back into your hideaway beneath the frozen ground while six more weeks of winter would torment us all and deprive us of the coming of spring for longer than we could endure.

And against all propriety in respect to the external circumstances and contrary to the predictions of your fellow groundhogs in nearby regions, you stood your ground and declared your immediate retreat to your subterranean sanctuary, whilst admonishing us to follow your example in kind, in spite of our desperate demand for a proclamation of an emerging and hasty period of unseasonable warmth that would melt our cold hearts once o'er with the accompanying affections of fragrant springtime flowers, rich earth-scented air, and fresh rain.

Upon hearing of your unfortunate finding, I admit, dear sir, that I impolitely and indiscreetly announced to all that you must have been mistaken, or even worse, had explicitly misinformed us, if only to torment our mortal minds, confuse us, and delight in our bewilderment. That, kind sir, would have been most unappealing and would have severely affected our high regard and esteem for you.

And now, as I look back upon the aforementioned eight weeks, I find myself feeling ill at my behavior,

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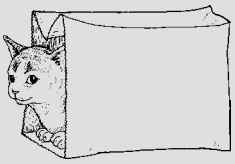
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my distrust, and my self-indulgent wallowing, as well as my disdain for your (honorable) actions that served only to warn us of an impending period of insufferable discontent.

My dear Mr. Punxsatawney Phil, I beseech you to excuse my inimical and indefensible etiquettes and incorrect conjectures I conferred that may have harmed your reputation and wounded your pride. If only I had listened to your infinite wisdom instead of indulging in the impertinence of the imposition of my own desire for an early spring, ignoring your infallible intuition.

Although it may be too late, and I pray that it might not be so, I hope that you will accept my most heartfelt apology and, when you finally emerge from your hideaway in the ground, you will forgive me of my folly and we shall continue on as good acquaintances, if not good friends. At the very least, Phil, allow me to owe you a Guinness at the tavern of your choosing.

In other words, you were utterly right. I was wicked wrong. So, sorry, dude.

Sincerely, and with the kindest of regards,
Jean Perry

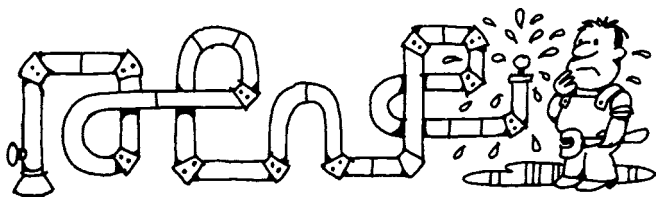
AFS Students Visit 'Great Decisions' Group

By Marilou Newell

It was a pleasant surprise when I was invited to attend the most recent meeting of the Great Decisions group by Ellen Flynn, the group's moderator. Originally part of a lecture series hosted by the Mattapoisett Women's Club, Great Decisions is now sponsored by that group as a self-standing discussion group. On March 25, Flynn had also invited the three foreign exchange students who are nearing the end of their school year at Old Rochester Regional High School.

Meeting in the library community room for eight weeks beginning in January and usually ending in February, the harsh winter storms had the group meeting through the end of March this year. I had never heard of this group previously and was surprised to learn that in the greater Tri-Town area, Great Decision groups had been meeting for 40 years. That intrigued me, inspiring some online research once I returned home.

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But for now, it was all about observing how these young engaged students would digest the last session of the Great Decisions 2015 season and how the members would engage them.

First, we watched a short film about the designated topic on this day, "Brazil's Metamorphosis." The film is a PBS production that touched on the political and entwined economic history of the country and its people.

The students seemed interested in the material, but like some teenagers, somewhat reticent to speak their minds in front of a group of older persons. As was pointed out by one of the more senior members of the discussion group, "I guess you are wondering what a

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bunch of senior citizens can do." Several members told the students that they still liked keeping actively involved in world issues and still had something to share.

As for the students, they provided their own feedback on the film, as well as personal information about their lives in their home countries and their school year here in Tri-Town.

Paola Briceño of Mexico said, "We have huge problems similar to Brazil." When asked about her year in the United States she said, "All stereotypes are not true," meaning what she had learned about the U.S. prior to coming here had now been by and large dispelled. She plans on one day studying to become an architect.

Antoine Geller from Belgium plans on studying languages, but is unsure about a career path, while at the same time, being rather clear that traveling throughout the world is a major goal.

"It has been a good year," said Geller. "The U.S. is very different from Belgium." As for the film Geller said, "I knew a lot about Brazil. We studied it (at his school)." He also added that, "The U.S. is very diversified … so different from state to state."

Mari Belmonte from Argentina is looking forward to a career in medicine, following in her mother's footsteps as a cardiologist. Belmonte echoed that the U.S. had been a bit of a surprise, and not like her preconceived notion of a country filled with fast food-eating insatiable consumers.

"Here, I didn't like the snow and school was very different," she shared. And as for Brazil, the information in the film had been new to her, saying all she knew about the country was that, "We are soccer enemies."

Accompanying the students was ORR's AFS-USA Exchange Student Program Chairman Kim Corazzini, also the high school nurse at ORR. Corazzini, who has been the leader of the ORR exchange program for the past nine years said, "ORR always has been supportive of the exchange program … it's good for our students." She said that local students have had their eyes opened to the wider world through the visiting students, how young people have tremendous struggles in other parts of the globe and that, "…safety is not a given everywhere."

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Ending on a lighter note she said, "And they now know we don't always go to McDonald's."

The students had to return to school leaving the more senior members to delve more deeply into the topic of Brazil's present-day struggles and future goals. The group consists of about 20 people from various walks of life, most with, how shall I say, years of seasoning. Yet all had an eagerness to understand complex issues, exchange ideas, and a desire to attempt to contribute to positive change.

Flynn thanked the students for their attendance saying, "These kids are our hope for the future."

Great Decisions is funded by the Foreign Policy Association.

For more information on Great Decisions, you can visit www.fpa.org or contact Susan Pizzolato, Mattapoisett Public Library Director at spizzolo@sailsinc.org.

Talking 'Bout the Rochester Country Fair

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

Who wouldn't enjoy standing at the Rochester Country Fair listening to a Lynyrd Skynyrd tribute band while watching men throw telephone poles like javelins … with an ice-cold one in their hand?

Sure, there might still be snow covering the Rochester Country Fairgrounds, but members of the

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And what is one of the biggest changes that any fairgoer of legal age can anticipate? Yup, that's right … sip, aaahhh. Ice-cold beer served for four hours Saturday only for the big "Vyntyge Skynyrd" concert.

"We're hoping to serve beer Saturday night for four hours," said committee Co-chair Dave Souza. "We're just kind of feeling it out to see how it would be." Souza said he has already spoken with Police Chief Paul Magee, who was seated in the room for another matter, and he saw no problem with hiring an extra officer to keep the peace. "If we could go that route with the blessing from

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you guys…" Souza said to selectmen, who seemed fine with the idea.

Other additions to the program will be some new games and activities for children and the addition of the "Highland games" with people throwing "telephone poles" in the air, Souza said. The committee is also finishing a patio near the concert arena area.

"We're gonna try to keep it to the kind of crowd that we want," said Souza. You know, the Skynyrd crowd. "That's the kind of crowd we want to keep catering to."

Co-chair of the committee Julie Koczera said that during the most recent dinner and dance fundraiser for the fair, she passed around a questionnaire asking people if they would mind if the committee called off the parade this year, since last year's parade saw a dwindling of participation from both onlookers and parade participants.

"Overwhelmingly, everyone was, like, no. Don't get rid of it," said Koczera. "I think we stirred the pot and let them know…. Hopefully the participation will be there, both watching and in the parade."

Souza said the biggest expense for putting on the fair is the cost to hire detail police officers for the fairground site as well as during the parade. And he knows the selectmen will be attending the country fair, so the event is "being watched by our mother hens," said Souza. "And we don't want to be grounded."

The 2015 Rochester Country Fair will feature four days of events for children, mechanical bull riders, tractor pullers, wrestlers, cow chip bingo players, and of course, the Skynyrd crowd.

Selectman Naida Parker said she is looking forward to it, but committee members begged, don't you dare mention the weather or you might jinx it.

Also during the meeting, on a more serious note, Police Chief Magee, Fire Chief Scott Weigel, and Chief Dispatcher Tracy Eldridge gave a presentation on the heroin overdose epidemic in the region, as well as the life-saving medication Narcan, an opiate-antagonist that has saved lives since it was made readily available to emergency response services across the state.

The board had been looking for an update on the

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crisis since the introduction of Narcan, and Magee said the problem stems in most part from the easy availability of heroin, which Magee said has become a cheaper option for drug abuse that pills.

"We're being inundated in Massachusetts … with heroin overdoses," said Magee. Heroin is 60 percent more pure, he said, and is cut with a variety of substances. "So users really don't know what they're getting."

Locally in Rochester, Magee said in 2014 there was one fatal overdose in town. He was able to track down three heroin overdose calls and four non-heroin overdose calls in 2014.

"So we are experiencing the same issues as other communities," said Magee. And given the



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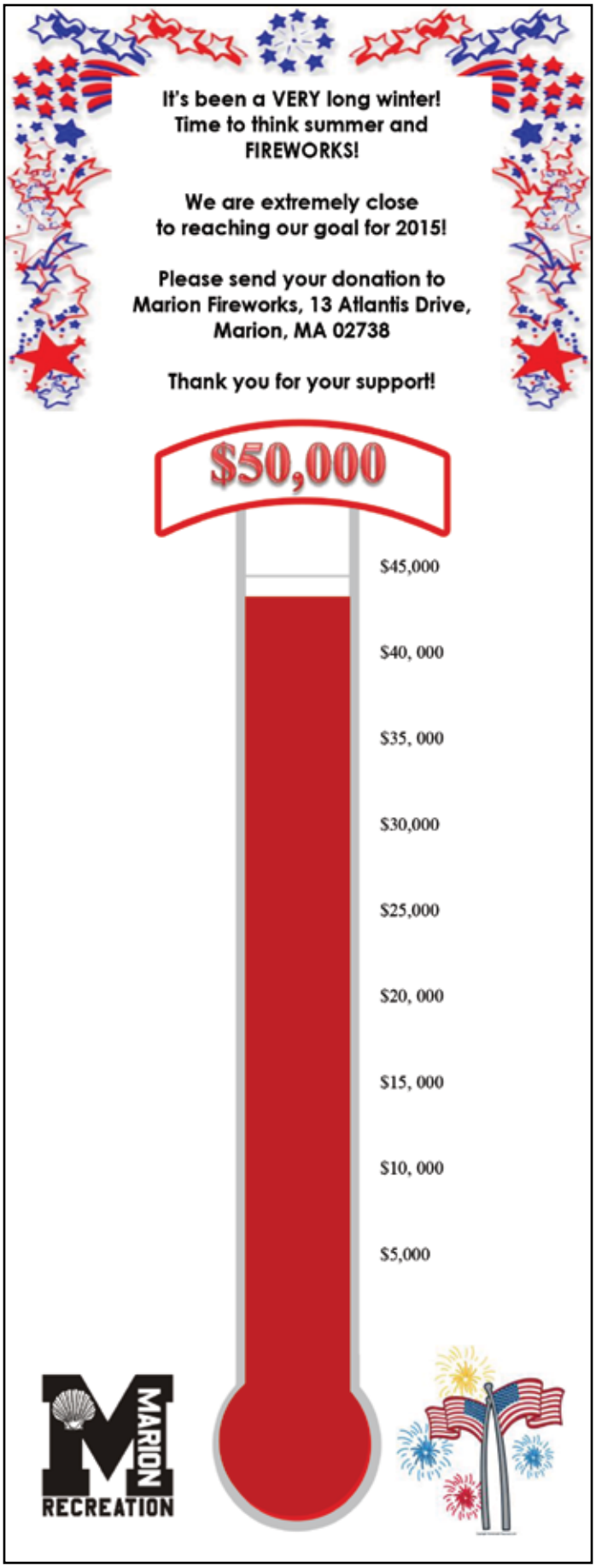
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small population of Rochester, "I don't think it's disproportionate with other communities…"

Eldridge said she recently introduced an instructional card to the emergency response information that dispatchers use to instruct the caller on how to tend to the victim until the EMTs can get there. She said dispatchers would be trained on how to handle a heroin overdose over the phone while a caller might be too emotional to independently react appropriately.

EMS responders have Narcan on hand for such emergencies, and drug users and their families or loved one can also receive Narcan to keep in their possession in the case of an overdose.

Parker asked Magee about the now inactive D.A.R.E. program in town, and Magee told her that, without the funding, the program was halted years ago. Parker suggested approaching the Rochester Lions Club for funding.

"I think it's valuable. I taught it many, many times," said Magee. "It was very well received in the schools. We'd be able to start it immediately if we had the funding."

Selectman Richard Nunes said, "It's something you don't think about in a small town.…We're in a very small scale area, but it only takes a matter of time before it gets passed on…"

Chief Magee said anyone in Rochester is welcome to call the police station for more information about how to seek help and support for drug abuse.

"It's no longer a city problem," said Parker.

"Not anymore," said Magee.

In other news, Town Administrator Michael McCue said, although Rochester "is not out of the woods," the town is much closer to a balanced budget after some progress with the school budget.

"I'm cautiously optimistic at this point," he said.

McCue also said the Town's snow and ice removal budget is now in a $131,088 deficit, making a total of just under $200,000 spent, not counting last weekend's Saturday snow showers. McCue said he is looking towards federal dollars that could be available.

The next meeting of the next Rochester Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **April 6** at 6:30 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

Neighbors Hear Bylaw Changes

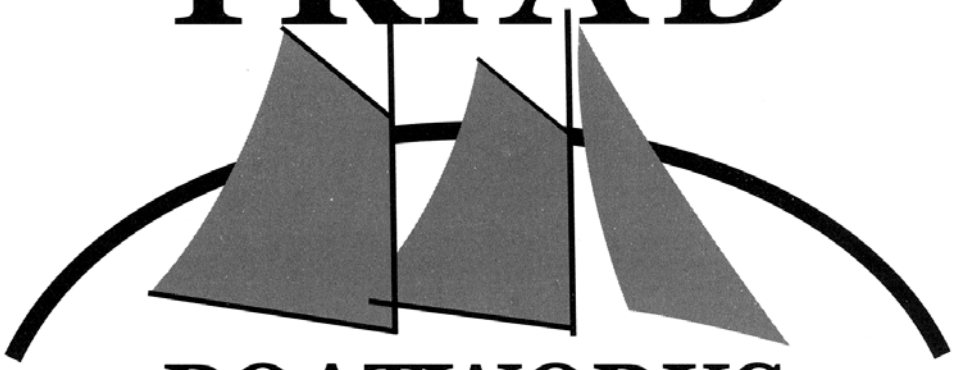
Rochester Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals

By Marilou Newell

Armed with a 15-slide PowerPoint presentation and five pages of bylaw changes, Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Richard Cutler brought to order a special Saturday public meeting of the Rochester Planning Board and ZBA.

Working together, these two boards have been editing existing bylaws regulating the Limited Commercial District in Rochester in an effort to control

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and manage growth in this district.

Cutler ushered the group of about 20 mostly invited abutters through his presentation that defined the objectives of the proposed bylaw changes as well as the changes themselves.

The Limited Commercial District in question lies to the west/northwest and slightly east of where Plumb Corner is presently situated on Route 105 (Rounseville Road). There is also a triangular parcel with frontage on New Bedford Road to the east/southeast of the post office.

"We cannot stop growth, we can only manage it," stated Cutler in his presentation. "If we don't manage it, we will end up with our growth controlled by outside entities." That said, there was still some push back to follow.

Continuing on, Cutler said that the Master Plan would recognize mixed use in the commercial district with more people-friendly aspects, such as a wider variety of development options including businesses mixed with residential spaces within the same structure.

Cutler also impressed on the assembled that the ZBA cannot do anything more than allow or deny applications requesting variances and special use considerations, whereas the Planning Board can regulate the type of construction allowed and enforce the bylaw via site plan review. He urged the group to give the Planning Board better control over the Limited Commercial District before sale of the lands took place.

Ward Benner, a resident of Mendell Road, was the first to speak up against mixed-use construction saying, "It's a disaster waiting to happen!" He pointed to a fire in town in just such a type of structure, but was quickly reminded by Cutler and Planning Board member Michael Murphy that that building had been erected long before building codes and sound construction practices had been put in place.

Also voicing some concern was Woody Hartley, current town moderator and candidate for the Board of Selectmen. He suggested that any development in the Limited Commercial District would bring too much traffic to an area where, "…the confluence of roads, one a major thoroughfare, will create a traffic burden."

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Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson countered Hartley's concerns saying, "We've done a good job with traffic so far. We can make them adjust traffic flow…. If we think traffic flow is going to be too much, we can control that…. They'd have to scale it back."

"We should know going into this what the traffic is going to be," said Hartley, to which Johnson replied, "Every business generates traffic. So do homes."

Planning Board member Susan Teal continued Johnson's thought saying, "But if we don't give the Planning Board the bylaws to work with, a lot of what could be proposed will show up at the ZBA, but the Planning Board can do that through site plan review."

She said that she lives on New Bedford Road and

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real traffic change experienced by Rochester had to do with the mall in Wareham, not developments in Rochester such as The Pines. She said that people are using Rochester roadways to get from Acushnet to Wareham to access the mall on Route 28.

Johnson said that the applicant would be required to pay for a traffic study that would report back to the Town.

"Traffic should be the limiting factor," said Hartley in conclusion.

William Watling of New Bedford Road questioned the setback formula the bylaw would use along with a requirement that 20 percent of the 'disturbed' site would be required as green spaces, walkways, recreational areas and landscapes.

"That applicant can ask for a waiver by demonstrating there is a need," said Johnson. "We can inject common sense when you craft legislation, you start with the worst case scenario, then you can legislate down, you can't legislate up." Johnson continued, "You're going to have an opportunity to voice concerns as an abutter. The buildings are to be harmonious to other buildings."

Chris Silveira, whose home is located near the post office, complained of light pollution, something he and his family have been dealing with. He said that the lighting around the post office was too bright and was left on throughout the night, illuminating the interior of his home. He asked about what sort of lighting limitations new bylaws might impose.

Teal said the Planning Board could regulate lighting now, whereas the ZBA cannot. Johnson said that light shielding would be required.

Murphy shared with the residents, "We love when you come in with comments and input so we can try to make everyone happy – people are a big help."

The Planning Board and ZBA, along with Town Planner Mary Crain, will assemble the comments and present a draft to the selectmen. Further public hearings will be held in advance of Town Meeting on June 8.

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Summer Harbor Services Discussed

Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board

By Marilou Newell

David Kaiser of the Mattapoisett Boat Yard met with the Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board during its March 26 meeting to discuss services provided by his business for boaters in Mattapoisett Harbor and waterways.

Kaiser said that overall, the 2014 summer season had been a successful time for both the town and for his business, with just a few hiccups along the way.

"One of the concerns was Sunday pump-outs," said Kaiser. He said that typically boaters contact the boatyard via cell phone to set up a pump-out day and time and that no one had complained about not being able to get a pump-out on Sundays.

"Sundays are problematic," Kaiser shared. He said that it was tough to get "kids" to work on Sundays and that "not just anyone" can be tapped to run the pump-out boat. The skill level required was much more precise, he continued, than that required by a launch pilot.

"I'm happy to try and make that work," he conceded. "We are not profiting from this," Kaiser told the group, "but happy to assist the Town, as a business in the Town."

Regarding launch services, he said that he has

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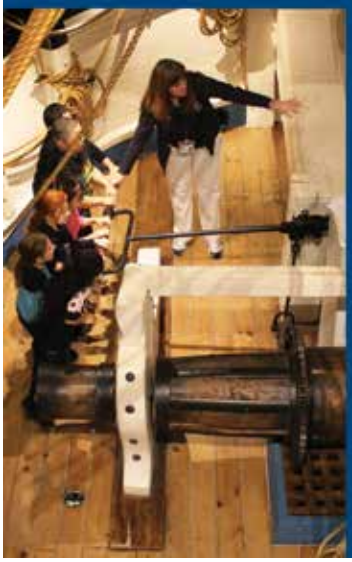
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a solid group ready for the 2015 season and noted that these pilots are required to have several types of licensure and certification(s), including that provided by the Coast Guard. Kaiser commented that the cost associated with gaining these licenses can be as much as $700 and take up to three months to complete.

The issue of where to pick up and drop off boaters utilizing launch services was also discussed. The selectmen had wanted boaters to be able to get picked up and dropped off at the town wharves. Kaiser said that location was very difficult to access because of the marine traffic congestion. When he agreed to provide transportation services to boaters in the Mattapoisett Harbor and waterways, it was planned for pick up and

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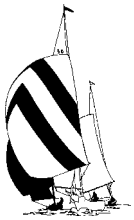
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drop off at the Barstow Wharf situated at the Town Beach, he reminded the board. To accommodate the Selectmen's request, they had tried to go in and out of the Town Wharf area at Shipyard Park; however, this proved very difficult to negotiate and very time consuming.

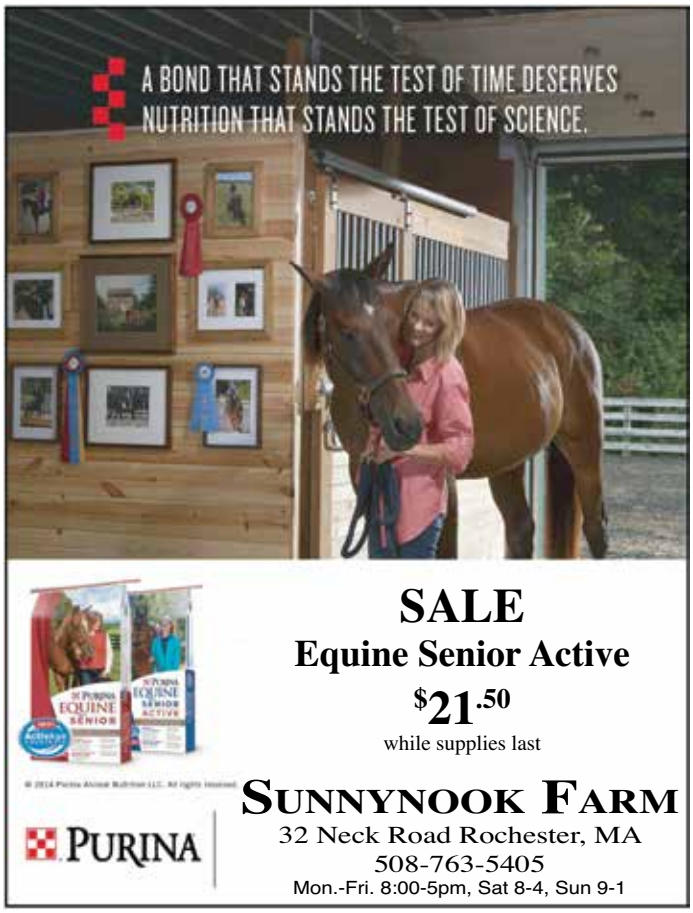
The board members agreed that Barstow was not only better for Kaiser, but for the Town as well due to parking issues. At the Town Beach, parking was more readily available to day-trippers and easier to access by the launch service.

Kaiser said that new signage was ready to place at the Barstow Wharf informing the public how to connect with the launch drivers along with days and time of service. He asked that the MAB help him get the word out to the public.

Harbormaster Jill Simmons, also in attendance, said that she could work with the Highway Department to plot out parking spaces for better land use at the Town Beach.

They also discussed how to handle permitting parking spaces at this location since it is now fee based for non-residents. Further discussion with the town administrator was advised to try and come up with a viable solution.

Simmons gave a brief report noting that presently she and her team are reviewing winter damages to the piers and docks and that a new kayak rack will be constructed via a Boy Scout Eagle project in the spring.



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Mattapoisett Finance Committee

By Marilou Newell

The Mattapoisett Finance Committee met with members of the Capital Planning and Community Preservation Committees on March 25 to discuss their financial decisions for fiscal year 2016. Both committees will have their decisions voted upon during the annual town meeting in May.

Chuck McCullough, Capital Planning chairman, accompanied by committee members Jerry Johnson and Alan Apperson, made his presentation following many months of meetings with Town departments to review needs with hefty price tags. McCullough explained the scoring process used to prioritize those requests deemed necessities by department heads for the operation of their department.

The spreadsheet contains 13 line items totaling $422,456. Starting with priority number one, those items are: $15,000 - new helmets/Fire Department; $50,000 - truck wash basin/Highway Department; $35, 956 - bundled town administration equipment and repairs; $32,000 - Route 6 crossing signals; $25,000 - Center School floor repairs; $40,000 - station vehicle/Fire Department;

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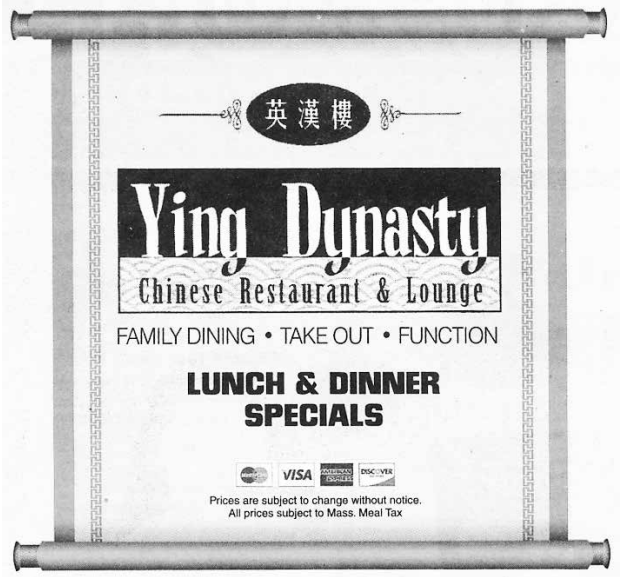


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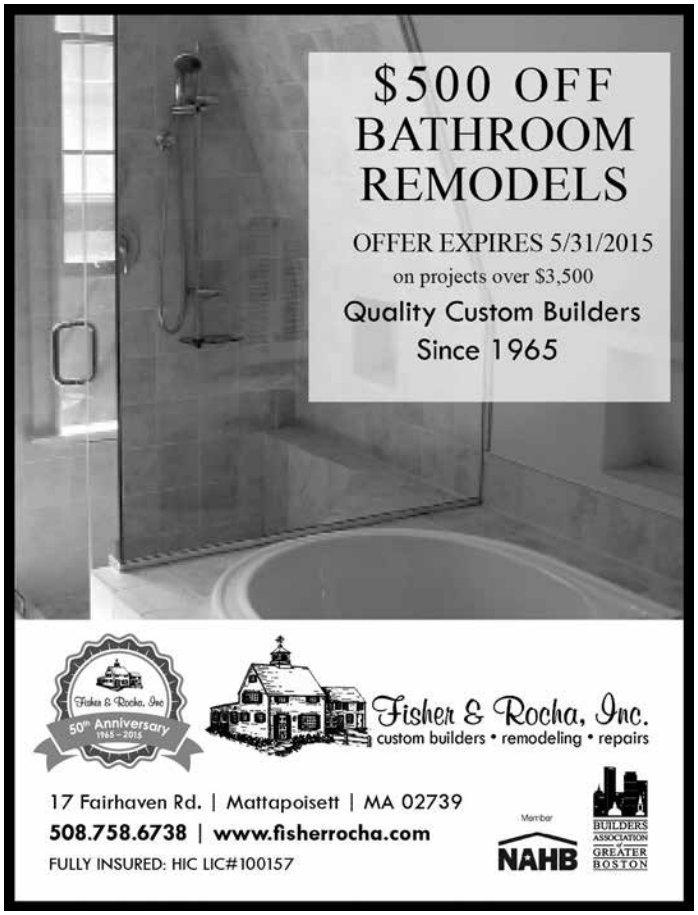
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McCullough also provided the Finance Committee members with a 10-year capital investment spreadsheet. Equipment such as ambulances, trucks, snowplows, and sewer grinders, along with construction projects such as wharves, town buildings, road repairs, and school building repairs were all listed, totaling approximately $30 million.

John DeCosta, chairman of the Community Preservation Committee, along with committee member Jodi Bauer, also met with the Finance Committee members. DeCosta presented the committee with a four-page report detailing the CPC account balances, estimated income, disbursement of funds, and process for selecting projects for funding in FY16.

CPC received seven applications totaling $469,230. DeCosta said that after interviewing each sponsor and evaluating each application through a scoring process, five projects were selected for funding by the committee.

Those applications are: Bike Path Phase 1B (requested $25,000) - $15,000; historic Quaker Meeting House restoration project (requested $146, 980) - $80,000; Mattapoisett Historical Society Museum cataloging project (requested $10,000) - $10,000; historic Christian Church window restoration project (requested $22,750) - $11,000; and wharf restoration project (requested $146,980) - $80,000.

Harbormaster Jill Simmons also came before FinCom saying, "I'm not sure why I'm really here or what

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materials you want…" and then produced an impressive year-end review highlighting completed projects and other accomplishment over FY15 along with FY15 expenditures to date.

Although the committee was pleased with the background information, FinCom member Patricia Donoghue said, "We need a budget … you haven't done this before … but what we need is a budget for 2016." They suggested she meet with Town Administrator Michael Gagne, who was not in attendance, and return when ready with her budget needs.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Finance Committee is scheduled for **April 1** at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall conference room.

Not Much Happening with ConCom

Marion Conservation Commission

By Jean Perry

What do you do when every Marion Conservation Commission agenda item is continued and there is a quorum of members assembled with only meeting minutes to approve and no new business? You watch them make jokes, approve a set of meeting minutes or two (without arguing over them), and witness them adjourn in under 15 minutes.

The March 25 meeting would have concluded faster; however, the individual items on the agenda – LEC Environmental Consultants and Saltworks Marine – had scheduled times for 7:00 and 7:10, respectively. Chairman Norman Hills waited for each set time to open the public hearings and continued LEC Environmental until April 25 and Saltworks until April 8.

In the meantime, commission members caught up on current events, perused the Town's 2015 Annual Report which had just been released that day, and laughed when commission member Cynthia Trinidad accused Hills of chewing gum too loudly and gave her copy of the annual report to ConCom member Jeffrey Doubrava. (There was no gum, however.)

Conservation Commission member Joel Hartley – ten minutes late to the meeting – almost missed it entirely.

Although it is nice to have a break every once in a

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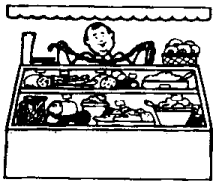
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while, acknowledged Hills, future agendas will get longer and longer as nicer weather brings in new applications for outside work in addition to the continued items.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for **April 8** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

FinCom Not Ready for Recommendations

Marion Finance Committee

By Jean Perry

As the town inches closer to Town Meeting, a regular topic of discussion for the Marion Finance Committee continues to be the fire pumper truck requested by the Fire Department, just as it was last year.

What has changed since then, though, is the FinCom's acceptance of the high price tag that still hovers at $540,000. At the 2014 Annual Town Meeting, FinCom recommended against the fire pumper article and Town Meeting agreed.

This year, the committee appears poised to recommend a fire pumper article, although the discussion is still not over and another week remains before the committee finally makes its recommendations on the Town Meeting warrant.

On March 26, another proposed emergency vehicle joined the conversation, although the three FinCom members in attendance have not yet warmed up to the notion of a new ambulance without a good enough reason for it.

"I have seen no real justification as to why we need a new ambulance other than [they] said we need a new ambulance," said Finance Committee Chairman Alan Minard. He said, basically, he was told simply that the department needed a new one and three bids unspecified that evening were provided to them.

"I don't see how we do both in the same year," said FinCom member Margie Baldwin. "Nobody buys two cars in the same year," she added, trying to be practical as she put it.

Well, they are both debt, said Minard, and how much debt does the Town wish to take on right now, he asked.

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Minard shifted back to the fire pumper and mentioned that on the night of March 25, the night before the FinCom meeting, there was a meeting of the Fire Engine Study Committee that resulted in a 3-2 vote to adopt the $540,000 number for the warrant.

Minard said the one bid that remained constant at that amount was for a truck with specs that "does everything but tell which way to tighten the bolts."

Minard said he asked Fire Chief Thomas Joyce if he would buy that truck priced as such, and he replied, no. Minard said, by his estimation, the pumper should cost roughly $480,000, "But that's not the truck they want to buy."

"Then you have a fire chief who's deciding what truck to buy and he's leaving in June," said Baldwin. Chief Joyce will retire on June 30.

The chairman said, "In any business situation this wouldn't be the case," adding that, before the truck goes out for bid, the Town better make sure the new chief is content with the pumper slated for purchasing.

Back to the ambulance, Minard suggested having Fire/EMS Deputy Chief Joseph Dayton provide the Finance Committee with further documentation on the necessity of a new ambulance.

"It's the same thing we ask every 'capital person' to provide us," said Minard. "The same thing we do to the police chief … why do you need a new truck?"

The Marion Fiscal Year 2016 budget rests at $20,457,508, a 2.74% rise from last year.

"So, we're in pretty good shape there I think," said Minard.

The next meeting of the Marion Finance Committee is scheduled for Thursday, **April 2** at 7:00 pm at 13 Atlantis Drive.

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Concert Finds Young Musicians in Perfect "Form"

ORR Update

By Patrick Briand

On Tuesday, March 24, parents, siblings, and friends of area musicians gathered together for a night of great music in the Old Rochester Regional High School auditorium. This marked the annual FORM (Friends of Old Rochester Music) Instrumental Concert, which brings together students not only from ORRHS and ORRJHS, but also Rochester Memorial School, Sippican Elementary School and Old Hammondtown School.

The night culminated with a performance of the Old Rochester Regional Concert Band, which brought together students from all schools into one great big performance. It was a fitting way to end a night that's not only a celebration of music, but also the unity of the area schools that the FORM program works so wonderfully to aid.

Starting off the show was Old Hammondtown School. The band for the Mattapoisett schools was led by Mrs. Emily Lafleur, and they performed the songs 'Honor March' and 'Gathering in the Glen.' They were followed by Sippican School, performing 'Iron Heart' and 'Mallet Maniacs,' led by conductor Mrs. Hannah Moore. Rochester Memorial was up next. Led by Mrs. Chris Williamson, the elementary school band performed the tunes 'Cardiff Castle' and 'Pictures at an Exhibition.' ORRJHS was split into two sections by grade, but both sections were guided by James Farmer. Grade 7 performed 'Alamo' and 'Avenger,' and Grade 8's songs were 'Emerald Isle' and 'Abington Ridge.'

As for the high school band, conducted as always by Mr. Michael Barnicle, they performed 'Under the Double Eagle' and 'Arrows.' The band played in perfect tempo on both tunes, keeping the crowd entertained. Though they didn't feature any significant solos, the pieces relied on the teamwork of the ORR band.

A few students from ORR's band shared their thoughts on the concert. Sophomore Jacob Spevack said the best part of the FORM concert was "watching everything come together," on what he called "an amazing night."

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Nicole Mattson, a junior saxophone player, commented that her favorite part was "seeing young musicians develop their talents."

Both offered praise for Mr. Barnicle.

Mattson said that Mr. Barnicle "motivated us to do so well," and Spevack commented that he "picked out music that was perfect for our ensemble."

Senior Matt Parisi called Mr. Barnicle "the best." Parisi said his biggest musical achievement this year was improving his skills at the upright bass. The senior spent the whole summer working on his craft, and the results showed at the concert.

After the high school performers left the stage, the ORR District Concert Band came together to perform. This large ensemble featured musicians from every school, and it was impressive to hear the group sound so well in tandem, despite having so many musicians play at once.

"The best moment of the concert was playing together at the end with all the schools. It was cool to have one great big district band," said Parisi.

The performance was a testament to not only the hard work and persistence of the musicians, but the dedication and skills of their instructors and the parents who have supported the young musicians every step of the way. On the night of the FORM Instrumental concert, all these factors combined to produce a memorable and entertaining show that has solidified its place in Tri-Town's culture and tradition.

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Peru Service Trip

Tabor Academy News

By Julia O'Rourke

Over spring break, 23 Tabor Academy students and three faculty members traveled to Peru to complete service work.

Anny Candelario, class of 1997, Edwin Escobar, and Lauren Boucher led the group, which began the trip by working with the Peru's Challenge Organization.

In a village known as Mikisiuno, students helped build a brick greenhouse. According to sophomore Lachlan Hyatt who attended the trip, "People of the community can grow flowers to sell in Cusco, which will bring more wealth and prosperity to the area."

Each night, the group had a service reflection when they thought about the building process and its impact on the community and the family they were helping, as well as the personal and group achievements from the day.

The directors of the Peru's Challenge Organization came to tell the group the story of how their organization started during one of these meetings, a highlight of the trip for many.

On the last day of their project, the Tabor group completed the building successfully, despite the hot conditions and high altitude.

According to senior Rachel McCoog, who attended this year's and last year's spring service trips, "The director of our tour has been leading groups for Education First for four years." She continued, "We were her first group to complete a project from start to finish."

Building the greenhouse has a lasting effect on the community, said McCoog. "We not only helped the family to raise their income but to provide their children with better opportunities such as a proper education."

The group was able to visit some historical sights as well, seeing the Catedrál in the city of Cusco and the archeological site of Saqsaywaman. Additionally, for three mornings, students visited a local school that has expanded with the help of the Peru's Challenge Organization.

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making connections with the children in the community, and Hyatt enjoyed playing soccer with the kids at the school. Tabor students taught lessons about hygiene and nutrition.

The group also visited mothers in the community at the Mothers' Workshop where they create arts, crafts, and goods to sell. Students were able to meet the mothers and learn about what they were doing to help support their families.

Students traveled to the town of Aguascalientes and visited an alpaca and llama petting zoo, an outdoor crafts market, and toured a ceramics workshop where they met local artists. The next day, the group went to Machu Picchu and were all blindfolded before a reveal

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of the beautiful view. Then they took guided tours and explored the ruins.

Before they headed home, the group had dinner in the capital city of Lima at a retired bullfighter's home, where they were able to see a more affluent area in contrast to the village in which they had worked.

Hyatt will be going on Tabor Academy's summer service trip to Vietnam in addition to other service initiatives that he is planning to do.

Although she is a senior, McCoog plans on doing another trip like this as well.

"I love service trips because you get to learn about cultures in an extremely candid way while helping a community at the same time," said McCoog.

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To the Editor:

On behalf of the missions committee of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, I wish to thank all those who made our fundraising concert last Saturday, March 28, such a success. Thanks to the almost 100 folks

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who attended to enjoy an evening of terrific music, we raised just over $1400 for the New Bedford Baby Project, plus more than 50 packages of diapers and wipes! We also want to recognize Target, Fairhaven Stop & Shop, Fairhaven Rite Aid and Fairhaven CVS who generously donated diapers or gift cards.

Special thanks to the musicians who donated their time and talent: Paul Amenta, David Dunn, Beth Grosart, Chris Little and Joe Zajac and a special shout out to David Dunn who provided the sound equipment. Also thanks to the Mattmen group who set up chairs, Drew and Lynne Nahigyan who donated the gift baskets, and to Betty Parker, Elliot Talley and the members of the missions committee – Tara Rajaniemi, Dennis Desroches, David Anderson, Gary Grosart and Drew and Lynne Nahigyan – for manning the concert.
For the committee, Susan Grosart

To the Editor:

Update on Benson Brook Community Solar Garden on the Landfill

Two years ago, Marion's Energy Management Committee proposed using the flat area on top of the town's landfill for a solar array to provide clean electricity power to town residents and small business owners. A Municipal Solar Overlay District zoning change was overwhelmingly approved at Town Meeting to permit this project.

In May 2014, the Selectmen appointed an EMC subcommittee to draft a request for proposals from solar developers. The proposal from My Generation Energy was evaluated as the most responsive and recommended to the Board of Selectmen for acceptance. Early on in the detailed design, however, we learned that Eversource (formerly NSTAR) could not provide a grid connection for the project without adding capacity to the Mattapoisett substation that serves the site on Benson Brook Road. Marion's project, along with several larger Mattapoisett solar farm projects, will have to share the cost of the substation upgrades. A formal application to Eversource has been submitted by My Generation Energy and engineering drawings have been furnished. All the projects are waiting for Eversource to assess the substation revisions and assign the costs proportionately to the projects that are involved. It may take another year for the grid connection to be approved before the project can move forward.

Once Eversource approves the grid connection, My Generation Energy will still have to secure a Post Closure Permit from Massachusetts DEP for the proposed work on the capped landfill, submit for the Planning Board's Minor Site Plan Review, and obtain a building permit before construction can proceed.

The finished project will net meter clean, renewable, solar power to homes and small businesses at lower cost than standard rates, and the Town will receive annual lease payments for the use of its capped landfill. This project will be a win-win for residents who choose to participate in the solar cooperative and for the town as a whole. Marion residents who would like to use solar power but cannot or don't want to install panels on their own property may contact the undersigned for further information.
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Saturday, May 9 is a day calling all citizens young and old from the Tri-Towns to welcome spring and show true community spirit. Marion's Annual Spring Litter Clean-up will take place at the Music Hall from 9:00 am - noon. Volunteers are needed to pick up the huge amounts of debris all along our roadsides. Bags, gloves, and safety vests will be available, along with a cup of hot coffee and a sweet. Questions about the Clean-Up morning may be directed to coordinator Sue Noonan at 508-748-6679.

Gifts to Give will participate in the morning effort by providing a truck at Island Wharf so that you can deposit good used clothing, housewares, toys, and books. You are encouraged to bring used items to benefit homeless and needy residents of the Southcoast.

From noon - 4:00 pm everyone is invited to Washburn Park for the Annual Arbor Day Celebration, an afternoon filled with activities and refreshments. The Sippican Lands Trust, the Marion Tree Committee, The Recreation Department and numerous other civil organizations are co-sponsoring the afternoon. Activities will include a craft table, Caribiners, Toe Jam Puppets, Birds of Prey, Handy Mandies, Petting Zoo, and Touch a Truck. All ages are encouraged to plan ahead to make this a morning of volunteering and an afternoon of fun and games. For questions about the Afternoon Arbor Day Springfest, please call the Sippican Lands Trust Office at 508-748-3080.

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Academic Achievements

Madeleine West of Mattapoisett was recently named to the high honor roll for the 2014-2015 winter term that just ended at Pomfret School. A student earns high honors with a grade-point average of at least 3.5 and no grade lower than a B-. Madeleine is a member of the Pomfret Class of 2015.

SLT Easter Egg Hunt Cancelled

The Sippican Lands Trust will not be holding its Annual Easter Egg Hunt this spring. After a long winter and a delayed spring warming, the trails are not in good condition for this event.

We apologize for any inconvenience and hope you have a great holiday! Stay tuned for other upcoming kids events as the weather improves.

Please contact Executive Director Robin Shields at info@sippicanlandstrust.org or 508-748-3080 with any questions. Thank you!

Yard Sale/Ham & Bean Supper

There will be a Yard Sale on **April 11** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at The Knights of Columbus Hall, 57 Fairhaven Road in Mattapoisett. Donations for the yard sale will be accepted on April 10 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm or call Jim at 508-863-3496 to arrange a pick up. No heavy appliances, heavy furniture or clothing please. Tables can also be rented for $20 each to sell your own items.

There will also be a Ham & Bean Supper on **April 11** at 5:30 pm with entertainment to follow at the same location. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for children 7 to 12 years old. For tickets or information call Jim at 508-863-3496 or Rick at 508-758- 4933.

April programs at Plumb Library

On Thursday, **April 9** at 6:30 pm, Mr. William J. Goldsmith will present a talk on "Solving the Social Security Puzzle." This seminar will address your important questions on Social Security such as:

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Learn to become a responsible babysitter with the Plymouth County Extension 4-H on Tuesday, **April 21** from 10:30 am - 5:00 pm at the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library, 17 Constitution Way, Rochester. This full day interactive 4-H class trains young people to be responsible babysitters. Pre-registration is required. Please visit the library or www.PlymouthCounty4H.org for a registration form. Space is limited! There is a registration fee of $10, and the rest of the course is funded by the Friends and Junior Friends of Plumb Library. Deadline for registration is April 14. Participants should bring a peanut/tree nut safe bagged lunch. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion, a 4-H Babysitter Handbook, learn how to make your own babysitter's bag, and a Boo-Boo Bunny. For more information, call the library at 508-763-8600 or email info@plumblibrary.com.

The Café Parlez' selection for April is *Under the Wide and Starry Sky*, by Nancy Horan. From Nancy Horan, New York Times bestselling author of *Loving Frank*, comes her much-anticipated second novel, which





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tells the improbable love story of Scottish writer Robert Louis Stevenson and his tempestuous American wife, Fanny. Fanny and Louis meet at an artist's colony in France, and begin their life-long love affair which thrived despite many setbacks, including Louis' recurring TB, and the disapproval of society in general and both of their families. We will discuss this novel on Thursday, **April 30** at 6:30 pm. Books are available at the desk, or bring your own copy.

For their April book, "Just the Facts" Nonfiction Book Discussion Group will be reading *Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huguette Clark and the Spending of a Great American Fortune* by Bill Dedman and Paul Clark Newell, Jr. *Empty Mansions* is a rich mystery of wealth and loss, connecting the Gilded Age opulence of the 19th Century with a 21st Century battle over a $300 million inheritance. At its heart is a reclusive heiress so secretive that, at the time of her death at age 104, no new photograph of her had been seen in decades. Despite owning palatial homes in California, New York and Connecticut, why had she lived for 20 years in a simple hospital room, despite being in excellent health? Was she in control of her fortune, or controlled by those managing her money? We will discuss this book on Thursday, **April 16** at 6:30 pm. Copies are available at the desk.

For the Week of the Young Child, the Plumb Library will be presenting our favorite ballerina Plumbelina! On Thursday, **April 16** from 5:00 - 6:00 pm, children ages 3-8 can learn about ballet and practice a short routine. Pre-registration is requested. For more information or to register, call the library at 508-763-8600 or check our Events Calendar and click on the "register" button on the Plumbelina event.

April Vacation Programs

April 22, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm: Lego Challenge. Drop-in program. Create your own project or use our prompts.
April 24, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm: Fingerprint Art a la Ed Emberley. Drop-in program.
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Marion Candidates' Night

The Tri-Town League of Women Voters will hold its Annual Candidates' Night this year on Wednesday evening, **April 29** at 7:00 pm in the Music Hall at 164 Front Street. It promises to include presentations by all contested candidates with a chance to hear their views on major issues as well as a brief overview of warrant and budget items.

There are going to be four contested races this year: Selectman, Moderator, Planning Board, and Marion School Committee. For the Select Board, challenger William Dale Jones will face incumbent Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson. After 35 years of service as Moderator, David Titus will step down following this year's town meeting.

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Patricia A. McCardle and Matthew William Nowick will be vying for the gavel. The Planning Board race will have two openings on the ballot. Contestants will include two incumbents, Stephen Kokkins and Stephen Gonsalves, and two challengers, Jennifer Francis and Todd Richins. The Marion School Committee has two open positions on the ballot this year. Three candidates will seek to serve, including Michelle Ouellette, Jessica Harris, and David McDonald.

Two positions are unopposed: Assessor and Board of Health. Ray Pickles will seek a new three-year term on the Board of Assessors and John Howard wishes to serve on the Board of Health for another three-year term. There are no contestants for the Open Space Acquisition Commission's available seat.

All contestants who have stepped up to run are to be congratulated for their willingness to serve in town government.

Key Dates to Remember:
Candidates' Night - April 29
Town Meeting - May 11
Town Elections - May 15

For further information, please contact Nan Johnson at 508-748-0046. Sponsored by the MMR League of Women Voters.

Rochester Women's Club

The April meeting of the Rochester Women's Club will be held Thursday, **April 2** at 7:00 pm. The club house is located at 37 Marion Road in Rochester.

Wine and cheese will be served before the meeting. We are looking forward to our very busy spring and are working on our 2015-2016 schedule. Women from all towns are welcome to join our club.

Marion Republican Town Committee

The Marion Republican Town Committee will conduct its next monthly meeting on **April 7** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. The public and new members are welcome.

Friends of Marion Visiting Nurses Scholarship

Those interested in pursuing a career in nursing are invited to apply for a scholarship through the Friends of Marion Visiting Nurses, a nonprofit organization that awards annual scholarships to local high school seniors.

Recipients must be residents of Marion, Mattapoisett, or Rochester, and are chosen on the basis of academic ability, community service, and financial need.

The application and accompanying materials are due by **May 15**, and the award recipients will be notified shortly thereafter. To receive the scholarship application, email your request to orourke.laura@comcast.net.

Children's Books are Needed

Business has been as brisk as the weather at the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library's second Saturday of the month book sales. So good, in fact, that the supply of children's books is low. Now is a great time for a bit of spring cleaning, and for donating good quality children's books to the Friends. Donations can be brought to the library during business hours; if you need to arrange a pick-up, you can contact the library at 508-758-4171, and the staff will put you in touch with the Friends. As always,

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Obituaries:



Hope Jackson (Smith) Rickman, 92, of Marion (formerly of Sudbury, MA), died peacefully surrounded by her family, on March 21, 2015, at Island Terrace Nursing Home in Lakeville, Massachusetts.

She was the wife of the late Earl Calaway Rickman, and the mother of the late Hope Jackson "Hopi" Rickman.

Born in Berlin, NH, the youngest of three children to the late Ray Clifford Smith and Edith Jackson (Lott) Smith, and grew up in Auburndale and Sudbury, MA. She and her husband raised their family in the San Francisco Bay Area (Walnut Creek and Cowell) before retiring to Sudbury in 1974, and later she moved to Marion in 2010.

She studied art in Boston, MA, Booth Bay Harbor, ME, and Jacksonville, FL, prior to her marriage. She taught nursery school and art to adults enjoying every moment, as well as the fine arts and designing gardens. She was a caring soul who made friends with everyone she encountered to the end of her life.

Survivors include: her son Calvin C. "Jim" Rickman of Harvard, MA, her daughter, Elizabeth Leatham and her son-in-law Douglas of Marion, MA, as well as her beloved five grandchildren Heidi (Rickman) Maggio, Jason Rickman, Joshua Rickman and Sarah Hope (Leatham) Yi, Margo B. (Leatham) Marusek. She is also survived by her eight great-grandchildren Wesley & Andre Maggio, Ryan & Travis Rickman, Ryan & Eric Yi, and Peter & Willa Marusek. She is also survived by her nieces and nephews: Linda, Alexandra, Dorcas, Christopher, Nicholas, and Alyson.

She was the sister to the late Ray Clifford "Jim" Smith, and sister to the late Linda Easton (Smith) Brown.

Mrs. Rickman was a communicant of St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Sudbury, and Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Marion.

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your donations are tax-deductible and all proceeds benefit the library. The next sale is Saturday, **April 11** from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

Sippican Lands Trust Annual Meeting

The Sippican Lands Trust cordially invites the public to our Open Annual Meeting on Thursday, **April 9** at 5:30 pm. The event will be held at Lyndon South Auditorium at Tabor Academy. Street parking is available on Spring Street.

There will be a brief business meeting followed by a presentation by Dr. Tammy Calise entitled "Healthy Communities – Connecting Theory with Action."

Dr. Calise, DrPH, M.Ed, a Senior Research Scientist from John Snow Inc., will discuss innovative ways that community stakeholders – including health organizations, professionals, elected officials, advocates and citizens – can work together to create more vibrant communities supportive of healthy behaviors.

Refreshments will be served. We encourage members of our community to attend! We hope to see you there!

For more information, contact Executive Director Robin Shields at 508-748-3080 or info@sippicanlandstrust.org. Thank you!

Gateway Youth Hockey Championships

Squirts Championship Game: Gateway





Her Graveside Service will be held on Saturday April 18 at 10 a.m. in Old Town Cemetery in Sudbury. Her Memorial Service will follow at 11 a.m., with a reception immediately after, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Sudbury.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Hope's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org, advancing research to end Alzheimer's and dementia while enhancing care for those living with the disease. http://www.alz.org/join_the_cause_donate.asp.

Arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdyer.com.



Donald Scott Cutler, age 73, died peacefully at Charlton Memorial Hospital, after a long illness. He was the husband of Rosemary E. (Picknell) Cutler to whom he had been married for 49 years.

Born in Quincy, MA, son of the late Charles S. and Dorothy E. (Knapp) Cutler, he was a graduate of Abington High School class of 1960. He was employed as a Custodian at Tabor Academy and the Mattapoisett Congregational Church for many years until his retirement in 1993. Mr.Cutler was a United States Navy Veteran during the Vietnam War as a Yeo Man. He was Past President of the O'Brien Tenant Association Joint Tenant Council and Past President of the Eagles #4058. He was also a long time member of the Advent Christian Church in Fall River. He was well known and liked by all, enjoyed travelling and loved classical movies.

In addition to his wife of 49 years, he is survived by four children: Jeffrey S. Cutler and his wife Jamey of Mattapoisett, Christina L. Cutler and her boyfriend Louis Harmon of KY, Douglas J. Cutler and his wife Melissa of Swansea and Brian S. Cutler and his fiance Lisa Binsfeld of Worcester; eight grandchildren Alyssa M. and Ashley E. Cutler, Thomas C., Matthew C. and Timothy A. Chaples, Albert J., Joshua S. and Andrew S. Cutler; two great grandchildren, Thomas C. Chaples and Kamdyn F. Cutler; two brothers Robert S. Cutler of GA and Kenneth C. Cutler and his wife Mary Ann of Rochester and several nieces and nephews. Mr. Cutler was also the brother of the late Gertrude L. Kelly and Lawrence W. Cutler.

A Service of his life at the Advent Christian Church, 70 Coral St., in Fall River was held on Tuesday March 31, 2015. Memorial contributions in his honor may be made to the Advent Christian Church PO Box 292, Fall River, MA 02722. Arrangements are in the care of the Waring-Sullivan Home of Memorial Tribute at Cherry Place.



Margaret A. (Bumpus) Jackson, 89, of Mattapoisett passed away at home Sunday, March 22, 1015, after a period of declining health. She was the wife of 47 years, of the late Frank S. Jackson.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late William A. and Lillian M. (Ravenhill) Bumpus, she grew up in Fairhaven and lived in Belmont for 49 years before settling in Mattapoiset in1988. Mrs. Jackson was a homemaker enjoyed spending time with her family.

She is survived by two daughters, Linda M. Sweeney and her husband Edward of Wareham and Margaret-Ann Mahoney and her husband Matt of Sutton; a son, Robert A. Jackson and his wife Jean of Sharon; and four grandchildren, David R. Keirstead, Michael S. Keirstead and his wife Lauren, Michelle A. Mahoney and Maura E. Mahoney.

In accordance with her wishes she was cremated. Private arrangements are by the Donaghy Funeral Home, 465 County Street, New Bedford.

Mary (Perry) Montelli, 90, of Fairhaven passed away Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at Our Lady's Lady's Haven, in Fairhaven. She was the wife of the late Charles Montelli.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late Joaquim Pereira and the late Adeline (Barros) Perry, she grew up in Mattapoisett and lived in New York for over 30 years before returning to Fairhaven where she settled. She was a communicant of St. Joseph's Church, in Fairhaven. Mary enjoyed music and traveling and especially spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by two sisters, Ilda Santos and Isabell Alves; three brothers, Jack, John and Joe Pereira and many nieces and nephews. Mary was the sister of the late Alice Pina, Dominga Rodrigues and Antone Perry and she was the companion of the late William Ramos.

Mary will be cremated and a Memorial Mass will be held Monday, April 6, 2015, at 10:00 am, in St. Joseph's Church, in Fairhaven. Interment will be at a later date. Arrangements are by the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Milestone section, please contact our office at : 508 758-9055, by fax at 508-758-4845, or by email at office@wanderer.com. Included in the Milestone Section is Birth Announcements, Obituaries, Engagement Notices, Wedding Notices, Anniversaries and Memorials.

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TriTown Happenings







It was the annual Bulldogpalooza on Saturday, March 28 for the Old Rochester Regional Hall of Fame. The event was a time for the organization to promote their new inductees and celebrate the big win this year. Above from left to right: ORR Hall of Famers Peter Borsari, Tom DeCosta, Bill Knapton (inductee), Peter Trow, and Steve Heath. Photos by Felix Perez





The Marion Natural History Museum after school group created "journey sticks" during our spring walk Wednesday. Each item collected represents a reminder from our journey. Photo courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

the regular season, and 2-1-0 in the playoffs. Look for the Gateway Gladiators Squirts next season.

Pee Wees Championship Game: The Gateway Gladiators Pee Wees played their championship game against Hanover on Saturday. The Gladiators were clearly fired-up before the game even started, and they hit the ice with a purpose. The defense, along with goalie **Ryker King**, made it nearly impossible for Hanover to score and the offense applied so much pressure that Hanover could not muster their typically strong presence. The game started evenly matched as expected with both teams battling for the puck. However, halfway through the first period **Danny Flynn** got Gateway on the board first and that raised the Gladiators intensity higher than we have seen this season. A few minutes later, **Jack Martins** scored off of an assist by **Chris Cogan** and **Luke Mello**, and Gateway ran with the momentum scoring two more times in the first period off of goals by Flynn and **Ben DeMoranville** who were each assisted by **Zach Barris** and Martins. The first period ended with a score of 4-0, but Hanover would not go down without a fight, scoring two goals of their own in the third period and then they pulled their goalie and applied even more pressure in the final minute of the game. An empty netter by DeMoranville sealed the deal, ending the game with a 5-2 championship win for Gateway.

The **Gateway Bantams** play for the Yankee Conference Bantam Championship on Saturday, April 4 at





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Thursday April 2, 2015
7:00 AM – The Sippican Historical Society: Political Polarization
8:30 AM – The Folklorist
9:00 AM – The Register's Report
9:30 AM – The Children's Corner
10:00 AM – Expedition New England
10:30 AM – NASA 360
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
2:00 PM – Euromaxx
3:00 PM – Focus On Europe
3:30 PM - Tomorrow Today
4:00 PM – Senior Scene
4:30 PM - The Fox Robbins Business Show
5:00 PM – Physician Focus
5:30 PM – Money Talk
6:00 PM – Living Healthy with the Woman in You
6:30 PM – VNA Health Highlights
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – Become Your Own Gym
8:00 PM – What's Linda Cooking?
8:30 PM – South Coast Rail Conference 2014
9:30 PM – The Chico and BMan Show
10:00 PM – Investigators of the Unknown
11:00 PM – The Mario and Dennis Show
11:30 PM – The Steve Katsos Show

Friday April 3, 2015
7:30 AM – Fast Forward
7:30 AM – The Song
8:00 AM – Around BCC
8:30 AM – Future Talk
9:00 AM – Senior Scene
9:30 AM – Bioneers by the Bay
10:30 AM – Melissa's Menu
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – Your Money Your Life
2:00 PM – Money Talk
2:30 PM – The Commonwealth Report with Sen. Marc Pacheco
3:00 PM - Explore
3:30 PM - Global 3000
4:00 PM – Focus on Europe
4:30 PM – Euromaxx
5:00 PM – Marion Natural History Museum – Sharks!
6:00 PM – History of the Beatles with Jim Cushman
7:00 PM – Legal Ease
7:30 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
8:00 PM – Mario and Dennis Show
8:30 PM – Buzzard's Bay Action Committee
9:30 PM – Graceful Aging
10:00 PM – Making a Killing
11:00 PM – Investigators of the Unknown

Saturday April 4, 2015
6:30 AM – Classic Cartoon Festival
8:30 AM – NASA 360
9:00 AM – I Can Be Me
9:30 PM - The Children's Corner
10:00 AM – Painting Journeys
11:00 AM – The Mario and Dennis Show
11:30 AM – What's Linda Cooking?
Noon – ORR Boys Basketball
1:00 PM – The Steve Katsos Show – 5th Anniversary Special
2:30 PM – UMass Dartmouth Transform 2020
3:00 PM – Sippican Historical Society: The Marconi Tower
4:30 PM – History of the Beatles with Jim Cushman
5:30 PM – Expedition New England
6:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
6:30 PM - What's Linda Cooking?
7:00 PM – Tina Cooks
7:30 PM – A Culinary Journey
8:00 PM – The Song
8:30 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM – Europe in Concert

Sunday April 5, 2015
6:30 AM – Words of Peace
7:00 AM – Second Coming Church
8:00 AM – ORR Boys Basketball
9:00 AM – Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM - First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM – The Riverside Church of Wareham with Dr. Gomes
11:30 AM – The Register's Report
Noon – Sippican Historical Society: The Marconi Tower
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4:00 PM – ORR Boys Basketball
5:00 PM – Eckanar
5:30 PM – The Riverside Church of Wareham with Dr. Gomes
6:00 PM – The Sippican Historical Society Oral History Project
9:00 PM – The Steve Katsos Show – 5th Anniversary Special
11:00 PM – Words of Peace
11:30 PM – The Steve Katsos Show

Monday April 6, 2015
7:30 AM – The Mass Factor
8:00 AM – Euromaxx
8:30 AM – Your Money Your Life
9:00 AM – The Commonwealth Report with Sen. Marc Pacheco
9:30 AM – The Dr. Is In
10:00 AM – VNA Health Highlights
10:30 AM – Tomorrow and Today
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – Books and the World
2:00 PM – Physician Focus
2:30 PM – Hollywood Makeover
3:00 PM - Explore
3:30 PM – Earth Focus
4:00 PM – Focus on Europe
4:30 PM – Global 3000
5:00 PM - The Register's Report
5:30 PM - Reeling – The Movie Review Show
6:00 PM – What's Linda Cooking?
6:30 PM – In the Spotlight with Sam Sutter
7:00 PM – Tabor Boy – 100 Years at Sea
8:30 PM – Expedition New England
9:00 PM – National Parks Service
9:30 PM – Four Deep Sports
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – The David Pakman Show

Tuesday April 7, 2015
7:00 AM – In Focus
7:30 AM – Sippican Historical Society - The Mary Celeste
8:00 AM – The Language of Business
8:30 AM – Cooking With Marie
9:00 AM – What's Linda Cooking?
9:30 AM – The Register Report
10:00 AM – Fast Forward
10:30 AM – Melissa Menu
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM – In the Fight
2:00 PM – Tabor Boy – 100 Years at Sea
3:00 PM – Words of Peace
3:30 PM - The Sippican Historical Society Oral History Project
4:00 PM - The Song
5:00 PM – Physician Focus
5:30 PM - The Commonwealth Report with Sen. Marc Pacheco
6:00 PM – Graceful Aging
6:30 PM – Senior Scene
7:00 PM – The Mass Factor
7:30 PM – The Language of Business
8:00 PM – Painting Journey's
9:00 PM – Upper Cape Tech Careers
9:30 PM – The Register's Report
10:00 PM – The Dr. Is In
10:30 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
11:00 pm – The National Parks Service Presents
11:30 PM - Mario & Dennis Show

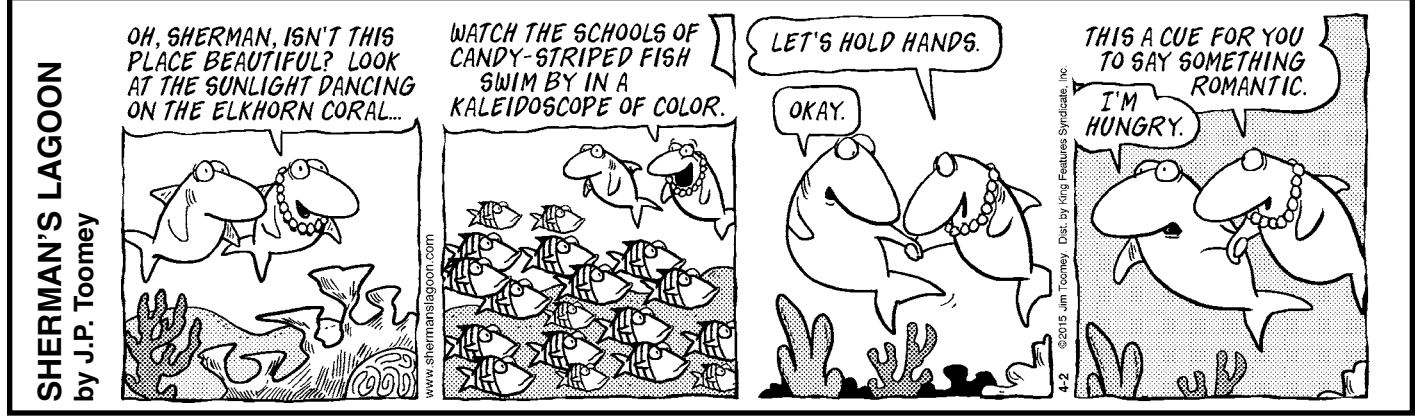
Wednesday April 8, 2015
7:00 AM – Creating Cooperative Kids
8:00 AM – Around BCC
8:30 AM – Expedition New England
9:00 AM – The Folklorist
9:30 AM - Hollywood Make Over
10:00 AM – Melissa's Menu
10:30 AM - Living Healthy with the Woman in You
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Jazzercise
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM – Books and the World
3:00 PM - Sci-Fi Journal
4:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
5:00 PM – Money Talk
5:30 PM – Hollywood Makeover
6:00 PM – Tomorrow and Today
6:30 PM – Buzzard Bay Action Committee
7:30 PM – Euromaxx
8:00 PM – History of the Beatles with Jim Cushman
9:00 PM – South Coast Rail Conference 2014
10:00 PM – In The Fight
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM – Future Talk

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule
7:00 AM - Latest Marion School Committee Meeting
9:15 AM - Latest Marion Conservation Commission
10:30 AM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
3:00 PM - Latest Marion School Committee Meeting
5:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
7:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
10:00 PM - Latest Marion Conservation Commission

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule
8:00 AM - Latest Rochester School Committee Meeting
10:00 AM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
4:00 PM - Latest Rochester School Committee Meeting
6:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
8:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule
7:00 AM – ORR District School Committee Meeting
9:15 AM – ORRHS TV Production Studio PSA's
9:25 AM – RMS - It's Gotta Be Jazz
10:15 AM – ORRHS Holiday Concert 2014
11:20 AM – ORRHS Music Videos
11:50 AM – FORM Instrumental Concert
12:50 PM – ORRHS TV Production Studio PSA's
12:55 PM – FORM Choral Concert
1:55 PM – Katie Brown Educational Program
2:50 PM – ORRJHS PBIS Assembly – MOBY Science Program
3:05 PM – ORR Boys Basketball
3:50 PM – ORR Boys Basketball
4:55 PM – ORRJHS Mock Jury
5:20 PM – Sippican Cub Reporter News Magazine
6:10 PM – ORRJHS The Little Mermaid
7:10 PM – Sippican School All School Meeting
7:40 PM – ORRJHS Mock Jury
8:10 PM – TV Production Studio Demos
8:35 PM – ORR Joint School Committee Meeting

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Spring Fling Dance Fundraiser

There will be a Spring Fling Dance Fundraiser sponsored by the Rochester Historical Society on Friday, **April 10** from 7:00 to 11:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Reservation Golf Club, 10 Reservation Road, Mattapoisett. Tickets are $15. For tickets or information call 508-961-7401.

Rochester Police Schedule Entrance Exam

The Rochester Police Department, in conjunction with Police Exam Solutions, has scheduled an Entrance Exam for the Rochester Police Department on **May 30**.

The Rochester Police Department employs 10 full-time officers, five part-time officers and a number of reserve officers serving a population of approximately 5,400 residents. The department will hold an entrance exam to fill part-time openings now and full-time positions in the future.

Because of the small size of the department, officers handle many of their own cases from start to finish. This allows officers the opportunity to participate in investigations, write and serve warrants, and make arrests as a result of their own work.

Rochester police officers also have the opportunity to participate in a number of the

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TriTown Happenings



Mark Mooney of Mattapoisett took advantage of the late season snow with this tribute to Easter.



In a ceremony held at the Cub Scouts annual Blue and Gold Banquet on March 28, over 40 members of Pack 32 moved up in rank and nine Senior Webelos where awarded the Arrow of Light Award. The Arrow of Light is the highest award received in Cub Scouts and an award that moves up with the recipient to Boy Scouts. The ceremony was held at the VFW Cushing Post officiated by Paul St. Don, Scout Master. After the ceremony honoring the 9 Webelos, the scouts presented to their parents Arrow of Light pins to thank them for their support in earning the award. The Arrow of Light is much more difficult to obtain than a belt loop, an activity badge or even one of the other rank patches. To be eligible for the award, a Scout must be active in a Webelos Den for at least six months and have earned the Webelos Badge. He must be knowledgeable of the requirements to become a Boy Scout including the oath, law, slogan, and motto as well as understanding the significance of the First Class Scout badge and uniform. The Scout must participate in an outdoor activity with a Boy Scout troop, attend a meeting with the troop, and go on a Webelos campout. He is also required to earn a total of eight activity badges. The ceremony is in essence a 'coming of age' ceremony symbolizing that Cub Scouts are now ready to become Boy Scouts. Photos courtesy Jay Pateakos



(above) The new Boy Scouts receive eagle feathers from their Scout Master Paul St. Don. L to R (new scouts only) Bo Lorden, Maxwell Tucker, David Strom, Max Vivino, Nate Robertson, Nathaniel Bangs, Caleb DeVoe, Will Baltz, Sam Harris, Lucas Marcolini, Mason Tucker.

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department's specialized units such as bike patrol and ATV patrol as well as being able to join specialized units such as the dive team, SWAT team, and search and rescue team attached to the Southeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (SEMLEC).

Details and eligibility requirements are provided on the Police Exam Solutions website www.policeexamsolutions.com. Any questions are to be directed to the testing company through the "contact us" section of their website. Any calls made directly to the police department or Police Exam Solutions may disqualify you from being hired.

Perhaps you know someone who is thinking of getting involved in law enforcement. This is a great opportunity for them to participate in the entry level testing process and possibly earn a career in law enforcement.

If you or anyone you know would like further information on this upcoming exam, please visit www.policeexamsolutions.com. All registrations must be done online.

Marion Scholarship Committee

The Marion Scholarship Committee is accepting applications from Marion residents who would like to be considered for a need-based college scholarship. The applications are now available in the Guidance/College Counseling offices at Old Rochester Regional High





TriTown Happenings






The Rochester Senior Center was the place to be Sunday morning if you love a hearty breakfast…and the Easter Bunny. The Rochester Lions Club sponsored the breakfast with the Easter Bunny event on March 29, giving kids the chance to hang out with him and snap a few photos. Photos by Colin Veitch








Tabor students work on building a brick greenhouse for a family in Mikisiuno, Peru during a spring break service trip. Photos Courtesy of Anny Candelario

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Open Table

You are invited to join us for supper on Friday, **April 10** at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Everyone is welcome. Open Table offers a delicious, nutritious meal prepared by volunteers on the second Friday of every month. There is no charge, although donations are gratefully accepted. Doors open at 4:30 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm. Please come!

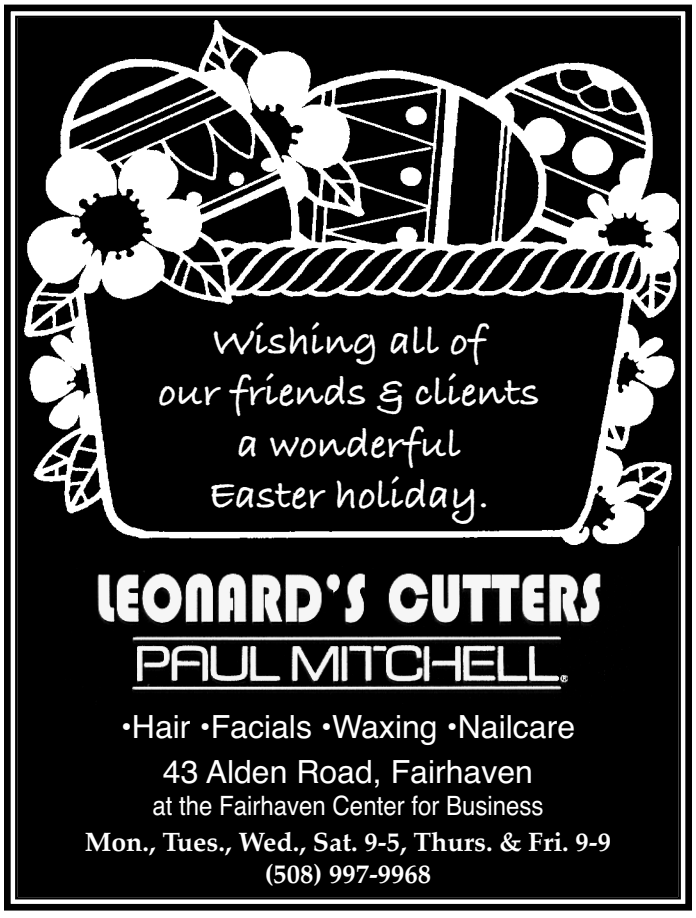
Cape Verdeans on the South Coast

The Sippican Historical Society's 2015 lecture series continues on Thursday, **April 16** with the topic, *From the Archipelago to America: Cape Verdeans on the South Coast*, featuring speaker Marilyn Halter. To truly appreciate the history of Marion and the surrounding area, it's critical to explore the Cape Verdean experience here. Immigration to the South Coast area began when whalers from New Bedford first began travelling to the Cape Verdean islands in the 1790s, returning with crewmen to work on the whaling ships. Once on the South Coast, in addition to working – and excelling – in the maritime industry, many Cape Verdeans found work as shore side laborers, textile and cordage factory workers and agricultural workers, particularly in the cranberry industry. As employment opportunities and communities continued to expand, so did the local Cape Verdean population. Today, Massachusetts enjoys – by far – the largest population of Cape Verdeans in the United States.

The evening's lecture will explore the important connections between the South Coast and Cape Verde, the unique characteristics of Cape Verdean culture, and its history and legacy here on the South Coast. A professor at Boston University, Ms. Halter's scholarship spans the fields of history, sociology and anthropology. Her published works on the Cape Verdean experience include *Between Race and Ethnicity: Cape Verdean American Immigrants, 1860-1965* and *The Historical Dictionary of the Republic of Cape Verde* (with Richard Lobban). Areas of specialization include the study of immigrants of African descent, New England and Boston immigrant and ethnic history, as well as the relationship of commerce and culture.

The presentation, to be held at the Marion Music Hall (164 Front Street) at 7:00 pm, is offered free to the public, with no reservations required. Ample parking





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Movie Review

Drawn-Out

By Rob Gonsalves
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***Cheatin'*. With the voices of Sophia Takal and Jeremy Baumann. Directed by Bill Plympton. Running time: 76 minutes.**

In *Cheatin'*, the seventh animated feature by cult favorite Bill Plympton, the plot runs on a misunderstanding that could be cleared up by a short conversation -- if the characters could talk. But this film, like Plympton's previous *Idiots and Angels*, has no dialogue, so it takes the central married couple the length of the movie to figure it all out. This is frustrating, to say the least, but let's give Plympton the benefit of the doubt and assume the frustration is intentional. The central married couple, Ella and Jake ("voiced" by Sophia Takal and Jeremy Baumann in what amounts to a series of grunts and screams), have communication problems. They're madly in love with each other, but their relationship seems stuck in the physical realm. In brief, they're humans who don't realize they're cartoons.

Other women are always throwing themselves at Jake, but he declines. Then one of the jilted women gives Jake a photo that makes it look as though Ella has been massively unfaithful, and Jake's despair and rage lead to his own infidelity. I don't think Plympton is trying to make any big statements about male/female relations; he's just having fun riffing on a theme, as he always does. Plympton, though, may strike some as a talent that works best in short doses (while die-hard fans will cherish every minute they get). Even at only 76 minutes, *Cheatin'* occasionally feels long, and I think that's because individual sequences -- even individual shots -- tend to run on just a bit more than they need to. Plympton clearly relishes basking in his own visual exuberance, but after a while we may prefer the narrative, or what passes for it, to move along.

At other points, though, Plympton's drawn-out strangeness seems the only way for him to work -- the unique thing he has to offer as an artist. Nobody will ever call him a stiff cartoonist: bodies bend and stretch for yards, gravity and physics abide by Plymptonian rules when they aren't disregarded altogether. *Cheatin'* at its loosest and most lyrical is superb eye candy. But if an animator is to work at feature length, a story can't just be a visually luscious riff. Now and again, the movie feels like a compilation of short "Plymptoons" that happen to share a theme and a pair of characters. I should admit, in case it isn't apparent by now, that I'm not the biggest Plympton fan. I admire his *sui generis* style and his visual tomfoolery, but something about his stuff leaves me cold -- an experience I noted when watching his first feature, 1992's *The Tune.*

What's my issue? I guess I get the sense that Plympton is into animation for its own joyfully manipulative sake, that he loves twisting and tweaking anatomy and nature as far as he can without stampeding into the realm of the abstract. But here's just one small example in *Cheatin'* of what leaves me cold. Jake has just found out (or so he thinks) that Ella has cheated on him. He jumps in his car and takes off. He howls in misery. He races a train. His teardrops bead up and fly behind him. He looks and sounds like a grievously wounded doofus with a nose that resembles nothing so much as a big fat phallus. All of this is clever, amusing, and so on. Except it's not supposed to be. We're supposed to be feeling Jake's pain, or at least relating to it. Instead we chuckle and admire Plympton's imaginative verve. And if Plympton would let Jake or Ella say a damn word to each other, their problem would be cleared up, and it would be a seven-minute cartoon -- which it possibly should've been to begin with.

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Tai Chi in Marion

Tai Chi classes will be offered to Marion residents starting **May 5**. Marion native Kyle Marston will be the instructor. Kyle has over 11 years of training in Tai Chi as well as Qigong and Kung Fu.

"I was still in high school when I went with a friend to a tai chi class. I was drawn to it immediately. It is based on the universal laws of life, such as day and night, hot and cold, yin and yang....what this means is that breathing is like that .. .in and out and striking a balance in all things. We have a left and right brain hemisphere ... there is a duality in all things," says Kyle.

Tai Chi is a slow movement exercise that focuses on breathing and stretching. You may have seen photos of hundreds of Chinese citizens doing this exercise outside in a park or on a beach. Google Tai Chi to see impressive photos of the large number of people who practice this ancient health promoting exercise.

According to Kyle, one of the benefits of doing slow movement exercise is that it improves resistance to disease and infection by accelerating the elimination of toxins from the tissues, organs and glands through the lymphatic system.

"In our culture, many people do not pay attention to their bodies. When was the last time you just sat and listened to your heart beat? We have too many distractions and external things going on with smart phones, computers, television and sounds everywhere," says Kyle.

"If you didn't feel well and went to a doctor in China, he'd probably tell you to go home and do some Tai Chi," says Kyle.

Classes will be held at 13 Atlantis Drive in Marion. There will be classes on Tuesdays, beginning May 5 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm and Thursdays, beginning May 7 from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. The cost for eight lessons is $30 in advance or $40 at the door. Space is limited. Register by calling the Council on Aging at 508-748-3570,

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Tri-Town Police Logs

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MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights March 225–March 28

- Main St – 911 call
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Main St – Office wanted
- Lebaron Way – Health/welfare
- Lebaron Way – Follow up investigation
- Church St – Health/welfare
- County Rd – MV crash
- Aucoot Rd – MV lockout
- Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd – Ambulance request
- Mendell Rd – Open door
- Marion Rd – Civil complaint
- Peace Pipe Path - Vandalism
- County Rd – Firearms violation
- Marion Rd - Disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – Recovered stolen MV
- Church St – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Fire/structure
- Acushnet Rd – Assist other agency
- Lebaron Way – Suspicious persons
- County Rd – 911 call
- Old Mattapoisett Neck Rd – MV crash
- Acushnet Rd – Medical assist
- Church St – Medical assist
- County Rd – MV lockout
- Hammond St – Domestic disturbance
- Hammond St – Follow up investigation
- Hammond St – Follow up investigation
- Marion Rd – Follow up investigation

ROCHESTER

Log highlights March 22–March 28

- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Douglas Corner Rd – Ambulance request
- Mattapoisett Rd – Ambulance request
- Snipatuit Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
- Marion Rd – Domestic disturbance
- Walnut Plain Rd – Officer wanted
- Marys Pond Rd – Officer wanted
- Marys Pond Rd – Investigation follow up
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – Suspicious MV
- Cranberry Hwy – Ambulance request
- Taber Ln – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Paradise Ln – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – Officer wanted
- Marion Rd – Domestic disturbance/arrest
- Snipatuit Rd – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – Restraining order service
- Williams Way – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Neck Rd – 911 abandoned
- North Ave – Officer wanted
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- High St – Domestic disturbance
- Coombs Rd – Ambulance request
- Neck Rd – Health/welfare
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Williams Way – Officer wanted
- Negus Way – MV stop/arrest

For a full PDF of the three town's police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, April 6: High Sodium LS Hot dog, mustard & ketchup packet, hot dog roll, baked beans, cabbage & carrot blend, almond cookie, popcorn
Tuesday, April 7: Oyster crackers, minestrone soup, herb baked chicken, Lyonnaise potato, multigrain roll, mandarin oranges
Wednesday, April 8: Italian style penne pasta w/meatballs, Tuscany blend veggies, scali bread, fresh apple, salad w/dressing
Thursday, April 9: Roast turkey w/ gravy, cranberry sauce, bread dressing, whipped potato, squash, wheat roll, pears
Friday, April 10: Broccoli & cheese omelet, seasonal potato wedges, fruit muffin, pineapple, granola bar

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, April 6: French toast or mini cinnamon rolls, light sausage, hashbrown, berries w/whipped topping, maple syrup, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 7: Popcorn chicken, veggie & macaroni salad, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 8: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 9: Beef taco boats! Cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, refried beans, rice, fruit, milk
Friday, April 10: Oven roasted chicken, warm bread stick, mashed potato w/gravy, corn on the cob, fruit, milk

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, April 6: French toast or mini cinnamon rolls, light sausage, hashbrown, berries w/whipped topping, maple syrup, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 7: Popcorn chicken, veggie & macaroni salad, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 8: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 9: Beef taco boats! Cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, refried beans, rice, fruit, milk
Friday, April 10: Chicken tenders, lightly buttered noodles, steamed carrots, ketchup, fruit, milk

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, April 6: Chicken nuggets, lightly buttered noodles, steamed carrots, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 7: Mini burgers, cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato, roasted potato wedges, ketchup, mustard, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 8: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, corn on the cob, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 9: Taco bowl, seasoned ground beef, warm corn chips, cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, sour cream, refried beans, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk
Friday, April 10: Toasted cheese sandwich, add ham or tomato! Tomato soup, oyster crackers, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, April 6: French toast or mini cinnamon rolls, light sausage, hashbrown, berries w/whipped topping, maple syrup, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 7: Popcorn chicken, veggie & macaroni salad, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 8: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 9: Beef taco boats! Cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, refried beans, rice, fruit, milk
Friday, April 10: Chicken fajita, sautéed peppers & onions, salsa, cheese, sour cream, Spanish rice, Mexicali corn, fruit, milk

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, April 6: French toast, light sausage, hashbrown, berries w/whipped topping, maple syrup, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 7: Popcorn chicken, veggie & macaroni salad, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 8: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 9: Beef taco boats! Cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, refried beans, rice, fruit, milk
Friday, April 10: Homemade mac & cheese, warm pretzel rod, fresh tomato wedges w/dressing, fruit, milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, April 6: Asian chicken bowl & bread stick
Tuesday, April 7: No menu available
Wednesday, April 8: Grilled cheese & chili
Thursday, April 9: BBQ rib patty, baked beans & spinach
Friday, April 10: Pizza & salad

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Walt Whitman at the Mattapoisett Library

Actor Stephen Collins will perform "Unlaunch'd Voices: An Afternoon with Walt Whitman" at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Sunday, **April 19** at 2 pm. The public is invited to attend this free performance, supported in part by a grant from the Mattapoisett Cultural Council, a local agency, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

The play, written and directed by Michael Keamy, was conceived and has been performed by Stephen Collins since 1998 in libraries, schools. museums, and community centers across New England. "Unlaunch'd Voices" opens with the elderly poet Whitman on the eve of his birthday celebration. He begins to reminisce about his life and his success as a poet. He recalls his most famous work 'Leaves of Grass' and recites some of the poetry and letters that he received about his work.

In the second part of the performance, Collins depicts Whitman during and after the Civil War, during which the poet nursed wounded soldiers in hospitals and on the battlefield. The audience experiences Whitman's growth into a mature artist, more concerned now with his fellow man and with nature.

Collins's performance has received noted reviews since the play premiered. He not only resembles Whitman, but it is said he captures the poet's sensibility and his empathy and concern for the every day American.

Everyone is welcome to attend this engaging performance, followed by a reception sponsored by the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library. The event is free, and seating is available on a first come basis. Please make a reservation by calling the library at 508-758-4171 or emailing mfpl@sailsinc.org.

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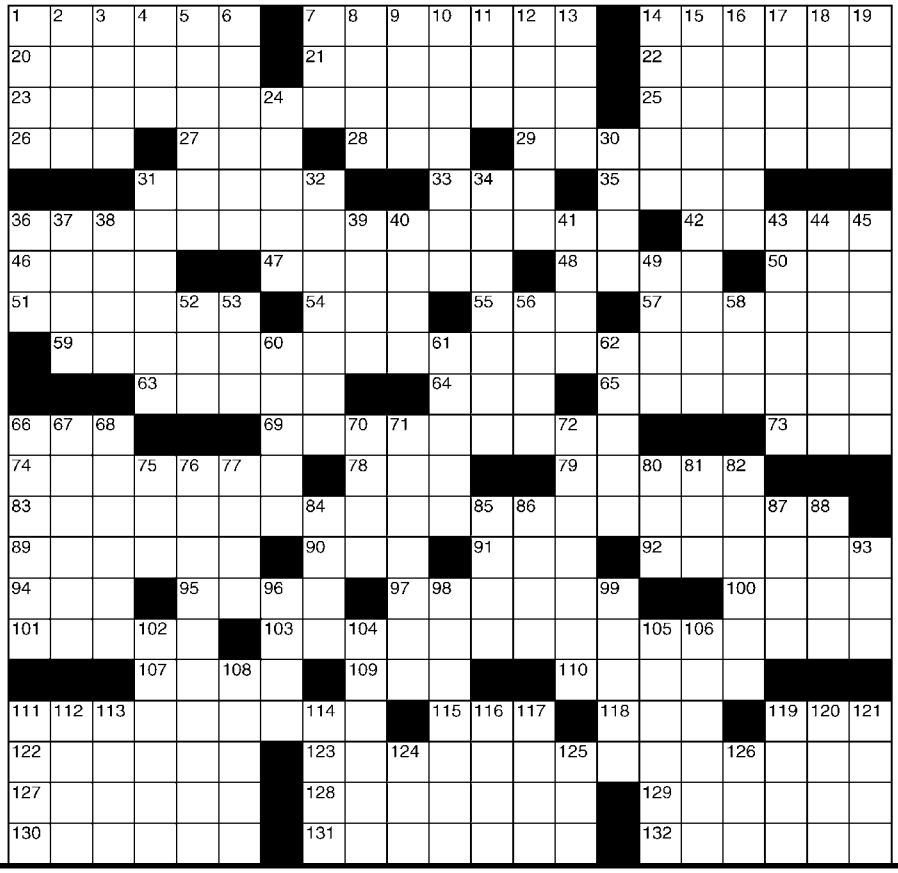
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ACROSS
1 Sop up
7 Liquor
14 Spins
20 "Amen to that!"
21 Actress Hudgens
22 Abate
23 Start of a riddle
25 Batter's miss
26 Do wrong
27 Pol with a six-yr. post
28 Me, to Michel
29 Riddle, part 2
31 Pinchpenny
33 Sue Grafton's "— for Noose"
35 Steak order
36 Riddle, part 3
42 Food holder
46 Goddess with a cow's head
47 McCartney of fashion
48 Kailua Bay locale
50 Scam
51 Agree (with)
54 "Yoo- —!" ("Hey!")
55 Paintball need
57 Circus clown — Kelly
59 Riddle, part 4
63 Big-top star
64 DiFranco of folk rock
65 More spiteful
66 "We need assistance!"
69 Used a daggerlike weapon on
73 B followers
74 Wife of Mark Antony
78 Consented to
79 "Nick and —'s Infinite Playlist" (2008 film)
83 Riddle, part 5
89 Wasp variety
90 Suffering
91 Capote, to his buddies
92 With 77-Down, does thorough research on
94 Freezer trayful
95 TV's Spelling
97 Camera lens settings
100 Exec's benefit
101 Ohio tire city
103 Riddle, part 6
107 Sitarist Shankar
109 Org. for teachers
110 Coin toss call
111 End of the riddle
115 Lucy of "Kill Bill: Vol. 1"
118 — League college
119 Toward a boat's back
122 Makes glad
123 Riddle's answer
127 Declare under oath
128 Source of licorice-flavored oil
129 More prying
130 Sports team letdowns
131 Red — (many Republicans)
132 Modus operandi

DOWN
1 "Even — speak ..."
2 Atom studier Niels
3 Movie draw
4 Meal leftover
5 Putin's land
6 Command
7 "Law & Order: —"
8 Hand part
9 — -European languages
10 Another name for vitamin A
11 Suffix with fool or owl
12 Fearsome fly
13 "Don't — didn't warn you!"
14 Inventor Nikola
15 Radiator hoses may lead to them
16 Haifa's land
17 Harness part
18 Leia's twin
19 Spurt out
24 "No — to blame"
30 "— little kindness"
31 Capital of Oman
32 Alternative to a 401(k) or a Keogh
34 Envision
36 [not my error]
37 "Time — the essence"
38 Rake part
39 Inert element
40 Pipe problem
41 Ringing sound
43 — acid (vinegar flavorer)
44 Added (up)
45 Not broken
49 Zeus' sister and wife
52 Stage actress Hagen
53 Pirate's quaff
56 Syllabus segment
58 Gym floor covering
60 Put in a different sack
61 Mortgage-issuing inst.
62 Ewoks' forest moon
66 "El Cid" co-star Loren
67 Five — shadow
68 Person eyeballing
70 Pirate chant starter
71 Artist Georgia
72 Ultimately reach
75 Author Rand
76 From Hanoi
77 See 92-Across
80 Lightning —
81 Heady drink
82 "We need assistance!"
84 Small branch
85 Ending for major
86 Yankees slugger, to fans
87 It's often preheated
88 Nonflowering plant
93 Sun setting
96 Sortie, say
98 Most musty
99 Fishtank pest
102 Speaks bombastically
104 Recite ritually, as a spell
105 Large sofas
106 Air Force pilot, in slang
108 Three-piece pieces
111 Ringing sound
112 Choir range
113 Slum vermin
114 "Pretty — pretty does"
116 Notion, to Jean-Luc
117 "Deutschland — alles"
119 Landed (on)
120 Cut and run
121 Time in office
124 By the agency of
125 Football field units: Abbr.
126 Letter for Superman



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) An unexpected problem should be handled as quickly as possible so that it doesn't cause too much of a delay. Someone who knows what you're facing could provide needed advice.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unsettling situation seems to be taking forever to be resolved. Fortunately, your Bovine aptitude for patience is strong this week, so you'll be more than able to wait it out.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Taking a stand against an uncalled-for situation involving a friend or co-worker isn't easy, but somehow you'll rise to the challenge and do it. Rely on advice from someone you trust.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) There are still some questions on all sides that need to be dealt with in order to allow hurt feelings to heal. Get your workplace tasks done early so that you can devote more time to loved ones.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Consider a new spring makeover that will show all you Leos and Leonas in your best light. A new hairdo and some fashionable new clothes can help put a fresh glow on your image.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some stormy, emotional weather can blow up in the workplace when an irate co-worker has strong words for you. But if you believe right is on your side, you'll be able to ride it out.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Creating more balance in your life is especially important now so that you're not distracted when you get into projects that will make demands on both your physical and mental energies.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) As much as you enjoy being right when others are not, show your generous side by offering to use what you know to everyone's benefit. This way, you gain admirers and avoid resentment.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week for the Archer to aim at healing relationships. Whether it's at home, at work or among your friends, get everyone to set things straight and make a fresh start.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you like things done your way, this is a good time to listen to ideas from others. You might even find yourself agreeing with one or more of their suggestions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Aspects favor positive action to reclaim your ideas from someone who might want the glory without doing any of the work. Expect to find many people rallying to support you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel uneasy about taking that step forward at work or in your private life. But who knows better than you that while treading water keeps you afloat, it doesn't get you anywhere.

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- Earth Eve Eco-Friendly People Powered Procession
- Mother Earth & Father Ocean Ceremony
- New Bedford Whaling Museum hosts SEEAL's 8th Annual Shrink Your Footprint Fair
- Backyard Chicken Basics at the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum
- Join WHALE and Your Theatre at the First Baptist Church National Trust Award Ceremony, Open House, and staged reading of The Obraz
- Paper The Town Green with 1850s Lady Abby at the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park
- Collage It at Alison Wells Fine Art Studio and Gallery
- For The Birds: Build your own bird feeder from recycled materials at BCC New Bedford
- Eco-Friendly Flower Pot Craft at Buzzards Bay Coalition

More AHA! Awesomeness!

- Evening Sponsor Clean Right Cleaning Solutions presents a "Light It Up Blue" inspired Sensory Station
- Kekelhi African Drumming and Dancers on Purchase St.
- Egyptian Chamomile Tea Tasting and Spring Book Sale at Gatlin's Framing and Subtext Books
- House of Music takes the stage at Pilgrim UCC
- New Bedford Parks, Recreation and Beaches host their Annual Spring Egg Hunt in Custom House Park
- Be a part of the United Way's Chain of Hope
- Featured Performer Molly O'Leary at Cafe Arpeggio

Arts In Bloom In DNB!

- 2015 MFA Thesis Exhibition Preview at the UMD CVPA Star Store
- Three New Shows at NBAM/Artworks
- 2015 BFA Senior Exhibition Preview
- The Subject Is Paint: Works by Steve Denton
- 11th Annual Teen Artist Internship Program Exhibit
- 2015 CVPA Master of Art Education Exhibit Preview at NB Education Foundation
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Annual Easter Egg Hunt

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TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF HEALTH
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 4:40 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by McKinnon & Keese Engineering pertaining to the property located at 8 Island Court, further identified as Map 3, Lot 21A.

The following variances are requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code:
310 CMR 15.211
Reduction in setback from soil absorption system to north and east property line from 10' to 0'
310 CMR 15.211
Reduction in setback for waterline from 10' to less than 10'
310 CMR 15.211
Reduction in soil mottles distance to soil absorption system from 4' to 3'
310 CMR 15.211
Reduction in the septic denite tank to garage slab 10' to 9'
310 CMR 15.203 (1)
Reduction in the gallons per day of 440 gallons per day to 410 gallons per day
310 CMR 15.255 (2)
Reduction in the strip out from 5' all around to 3' on the west edge and 0' on north and east edges

Marion Sanitary Code 4.60 Sewage System flow design criteria
Reduction in the soil absorption capacity for a 4 bedroom home 510 gallons per day to 410 gallons per day
Marion Board of Health
John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 3/26, 4/2

TOWN OF MARION
WATERWAYS APPLICATION
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of License Application Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application Number W15-4339
Dale C. & Laura A. Briggs
NOTIFICATION DATE: April 3, 2015

Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by Dale C. & Laura A. Briggs to reconstruct and maintain floats and float anchor piles and to reconstruct and relocate a licensed boardwalk at 23 Dexter Road, in the municipality of Marion, in and over flowed tidelands of Weweantic River. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received by within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).

Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at (508) 946-2748. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways Regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below.

Written comments must be addressed to: Carlos T.B. Fragata, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347. 4/2

TOWN OF MATTAPOISET
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on an abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation submitted by Mason & Jean Smith, 175 Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, MA 02138. The applicant requests approval of the flagged bordering vegetated wetlands line. The project is located at Ned's Point Road, and is further identified as a portion of Lot 35 on Assessor Map 7. 4/2

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BRENDA A. HERBECK,
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES
NOTICE OF TAX TAKING

To the owners of the hereinafter described land and to all others concerned. You are hereby notified that on Friday the 17th day of April, 2015, at 10:00 A.M. at the Tax Collector's Office, 16 Main St , pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of Mattapoisett the following parcels of land for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

Assessed To DELEO JOSEPH T & KIMBERLY A KELLY
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 12,304 Sq. Ft. located on 2 MARINA DR as shown on the Assessors Records as Parcel ID 014.B-0000-0035.0 recorded in Book 20438 on Page 300 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

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2014	Tax	$3,686.26

Assessed to NEW WORLD REALTY TRUST, ROBERT BURK & DAVID FINN TRUSTEES
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 19.2 Acres on 0 BROOK RD as shown on the Assessors Records as Parcel ID 013.0-0000-0017.0 recorded in Book 13286 on Page 117 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

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Assessed to THE HANNAH HELEN FERNALD GAFFEY REALTY TRUST, VIRGINIA M GAFFEY TRUSTEE
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1,350 Sq. Ft. on 27 SILVER SHELL AV as shown on the Assessors Records as Parcel ID 005.A-0000-0234.0 recorded in Book 27948 on Page 217 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

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Worms Work Wonders: The Joy of Composting

Learn all about the importance of composting and how to build your own backyard compost bin at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Saturday, **April 4** from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The program is free, and students in grades 3 through 8 and their families are especially encouraged to attend this informative and hands-on event, part of the library's MOBY (My Own BackYard) science program.

Dr. John Porter, director of Agricultural Research and Development at the A.D. Makepeace Company, will discuss the importance of composting to companies and communities, and to individuals. He will be presenting how one U.S. city is using composting to reduce their landfills and provide a valuable resource to gardeners.

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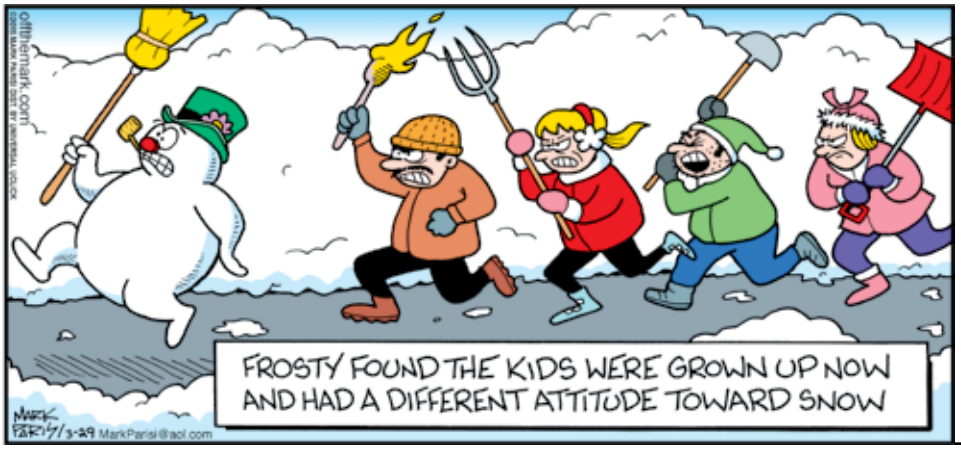
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Annual Easter Pie and Dessert Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging will hold an Easter Pie and Dessert Sale on Saturday, **April 4** from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm at BowlMor Lanes, 22 County St, (Route 6), Mattapoisett Village. Use the door on the side, marked with balloons, to access the sale area.

Please donate your favorite, home-baked Easter Pie and/or Dessert to the sale. Bring it to the BowlMor by 8:30 am on April 4. Questions? Call Mary Scott at 508-758-6311. Let her know what you are bringing and she'll reserve a space to display it for the sale. Mary would like to make this fundraiser the best ever Saturday before Easter Sale!

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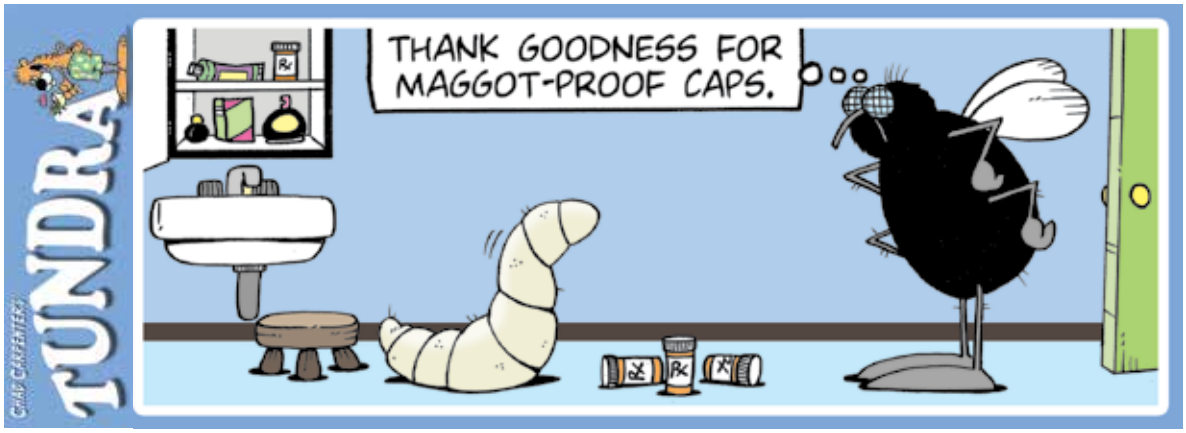
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Christian Bertram	April 3
Monte Albalos	April 3
Thomas Kozlowski	April 4
Matt Jones	April 5
Kristen Bissonnette	April 6
Kristen Messina	April 6
Makenzie Despres	April 6
Mike Rosa	April 6
Scott C. Day	April 6
Brandon Silva	April 7
Sharon Newcomb	April 7
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Alex Pateakos	April 8
Caitlyn King	April 8
Jackson Porter Hamilton	April 8
Logan King	April 8
Suzanne Maksy	April 8

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Faulkner (Jr), Kyle Costa (Jr), Holly Frink (Jr), Michael Amato (Sr), Isaiah Kidney (Sr), Patrick McGraw (Sr), Victor Morrison (Jr), Chris Savino (Fr), and Lexi Melloni (Jr) along with a supporting on-stage cast of 55 students, as well as 54 technicians and seven high school band members playing in the 17-member orchestra.

Sweeney Todd – School Edition: Costumes by Helen Blake; Sound by John Farrell; Musically Conducted by Michael Barnicle; and Directed by Paul Sardinha.

Presented in the Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium of Old Rochester Regional High School, under the auspices of the David S. Hagen Performing Arts Series, *Sweeney Todd – School Edition* will be performed Thursday, **April 9** through Saturday, **April 11** at 7:30 pm and Sunday, **April 12** at 2:00 pm. Tickets are $12 for students and seniors and $15 for adults and are available at The Pen & Pendulum in Mattapoisett, The Marion General Store in Marion, and Plumb Corner Market in Rochester. For information and ticket reservations, please call 508-951-5302. Tickets may also be purchased at the door; ORR is located on Route 6 in Mattapoisett.

Rabies Clinic

The Town of Rochester will conduct a rabies clinic on **April 12** from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at the Rochester Grange, Hartley Road. A fee of $12 will be charged per shot. Please contact the Rochester animal control officer, 508-468-6197, for details.

Marion Town Election Information

The Town of Marion's Annual Town Election will be held on Friday, **May 15**.

Late voter registration will take place in the Town Clerk's office on **April 21**. The Town Clerk's office will remain open until 8:00 pm for anyone who wishes to register to vote. If you aren't registered to vote and wish to vote in the May 15 Annual Town Election, you must register by April 21.

The Marion Annual Town Election will be on May 15 at the VFW, 465 Mill Street (Route 6), Marion. Polls will open at 8:00 am and close at 8:00 pm.

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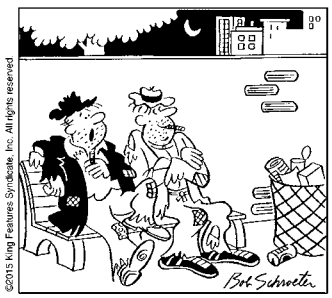
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Our Town Election is scheduled for Tuesday, **May 19**. The Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday, **May 11** at Old Rochester Regional High School. Please mark your calendar. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Make your reservations now for Marion Art Center's production of "Love, Loss and What I Wore," a comedy written by Nora Ephron and Delia Ephron based on the 1995 book of the same name by Ilene Beckerman. The show will open on Friday, **April 10** at 7:30 pm, and will run on Saturday, **April 11** at 7:30 pm, Sunday, **April 12** at 2:00 pm, Friday, **April 17** at 7:30 pm and Saturday, **April 18** at 7:30 pm. The MAC Theater will be set up

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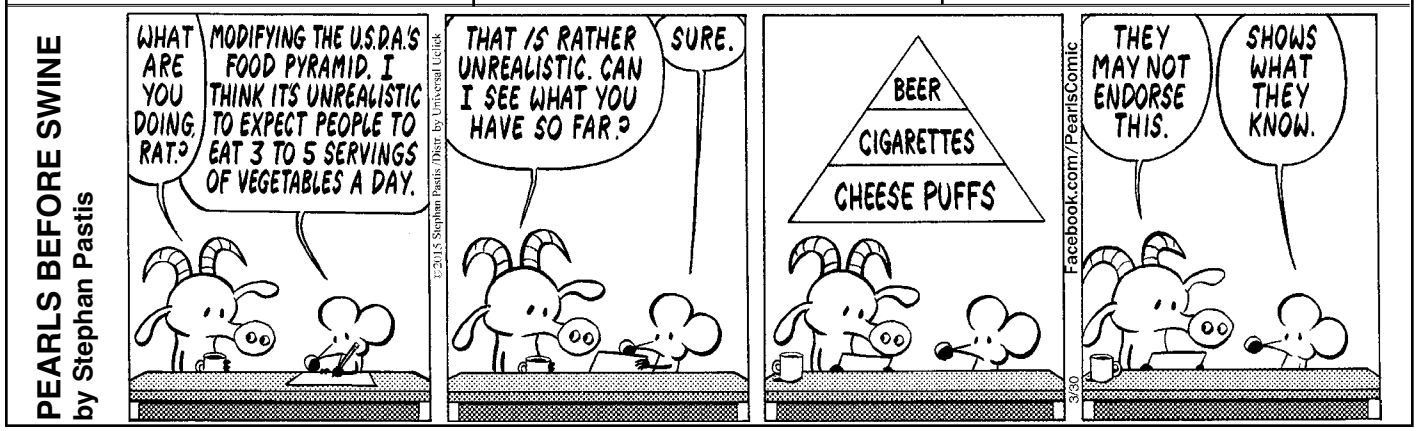
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The show was initially presented as a part of the 2008 summer series at Guild Hall in East Hampton, New York, and then as a benefit series at the DR2 Theatre in New York in early 2009. Later the same year, the show was produced Off-Broadway as an ongoing commercial theatrical production at the Westside Theatre in New York, where it continues to run as the second-longest running show in the theatre's history. The production and its cast received positive critical attention. The production won the 2010 Drama Desk Award for Unique Theatrical Experience as well as the 2010 Broadway.com Audience Award for Favorite New Off-Broadway Play. The show has been produced on six continents and more than eight countries. It began a national tour in the United States in September 2011 in Chicago. It made an encore performance in Paris in January of 2012.

Reservations are highly recommended! To make a reservation, please email marionartcenter@verizon.net. In the subject line type "Love, Loss & What I Wore – Tickets." In the body of the email include last name, telephone number, MAC Membership status, the date you are coming and number of tickets needed. Or call 508-748-1266 and leave a message. Tickets are $12.50 for MAC members and $15 for general public. The Marion Art Center is located at 80 Pleasant Street in Marion, MA 02738.

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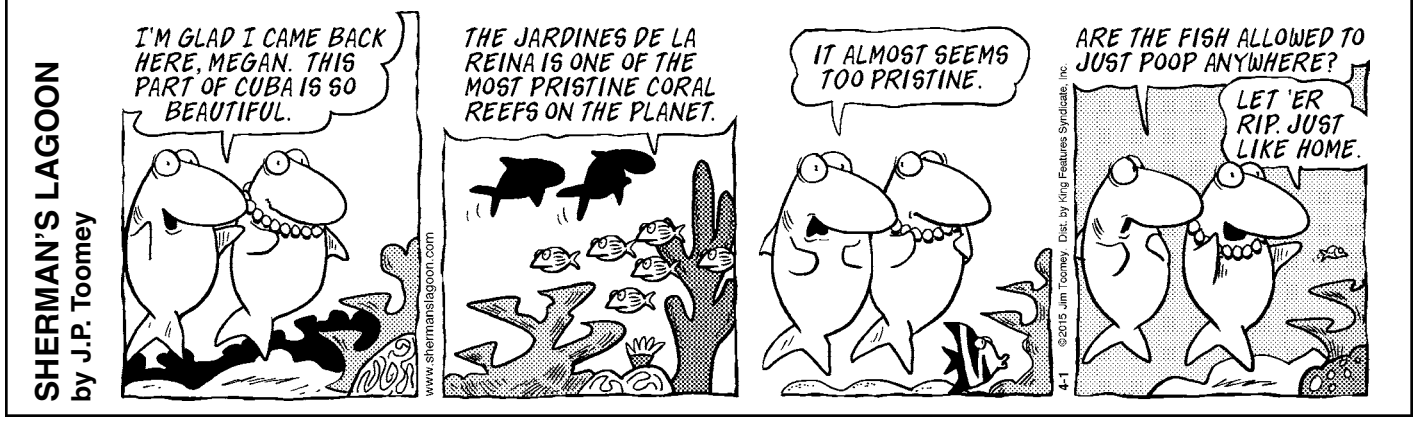
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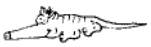
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in town and the joint will be jumpin' at the corner of Main and Pleasant Street in Marion. The Dixie Diehards Jazz Band will make its 10th appearance at the Marion Art Center at 7:30 pm on Saturday, **April 25** with a concert titled "A Stroll Down Tin Pan Alley!" The theater will be set up cabaret style with tables available for reserved parties of four. Audience members are invited to bring their own refreshments. The show starts at 7:30 pm. Doors will open at 7:00 pm.

To make a reservation – highly recommended as the Dixie Diehards always sell out! – please email marionartcenter@verizon.net. In the subject line of the email please write "Dixie Diehard Tickets." In the body of the email include your last name, MAC membership status, a telephone number for confirmation and number of tickets needed. Tickets are $12.50 for MAC members and $15 for non-members.

Or call 508-748-1266 and leave a voice message that includes last name, MAC membership status, telephone number for confirmation, and how many tickets needed. The theater will be set up with cabaret tables available for reserved parties of four and guests are invited to bring their own refreshments.

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1. Flare; 2. Notify;
3. Calm; 4. Cushion

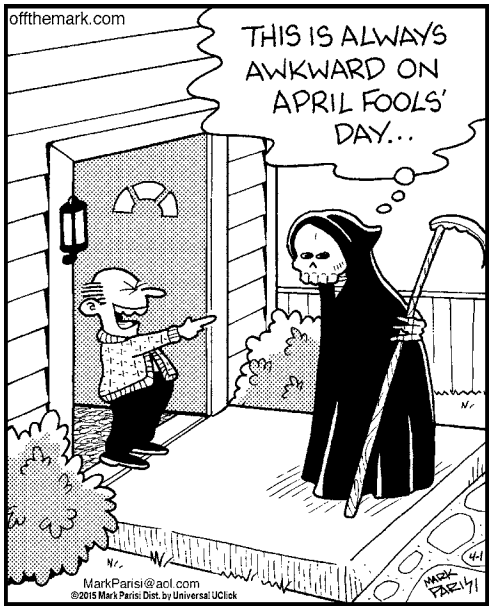
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Sudoku Answer

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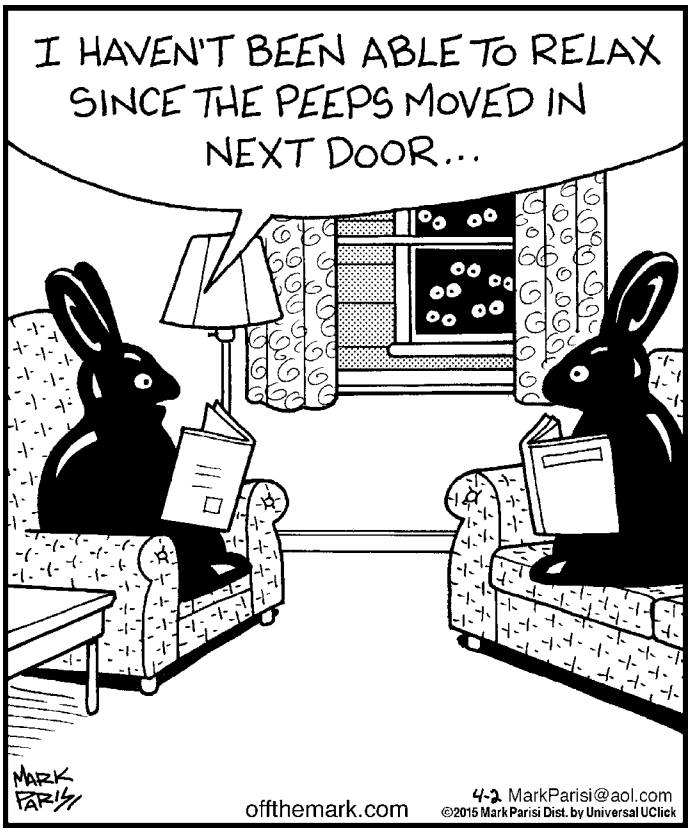
Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	April 2:	7:39	7:54	12:50	1:09
Friday	April 3:	8:13	8:29	1:29	1:42
Saturday	April 4:	8:46	9:02	2:09	2:15
Sunday	April 5:	9:20	9:37	2:49	2:50
Monday	April 6:	9:55	10:11	3:24	3:22
Tuesday	April 7:	10:34	10:51	3:59	3:56
Wednesday	April 8:	11:17	11:35	4:33	4:31
Thursday	April 9:	. . .	12:05	5:11	5:11
Friday	April 10:	12:25	12:58	5:54	5:59
Saturday	April 11:	1:20	1:54	6:50	7:00
Sunday	April 12:	2:18	2:52	8:01	8:16
Monday	April 13:	3:20	3:55	9:22	9:41
Tuesday	April 14:	4:26	5:00	10:31	10:58
Wednesday	April 15:	5:32	6:02	11:25	. . .
Thursday	April 16:	6:31	6:57	12:00	12:12
Friday	April 17:	7:25	7:49	12:56	12:58
Saturday	April 18:	8:16	8:40	1:49	1:43
Sunday	April 19:	9:06	9:29	2:41	2:29

Phases of the Moon

Full Moon	April 4th
Last Quarter	April 11th
New Moon	April 18th
First Quarter	April 25th

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